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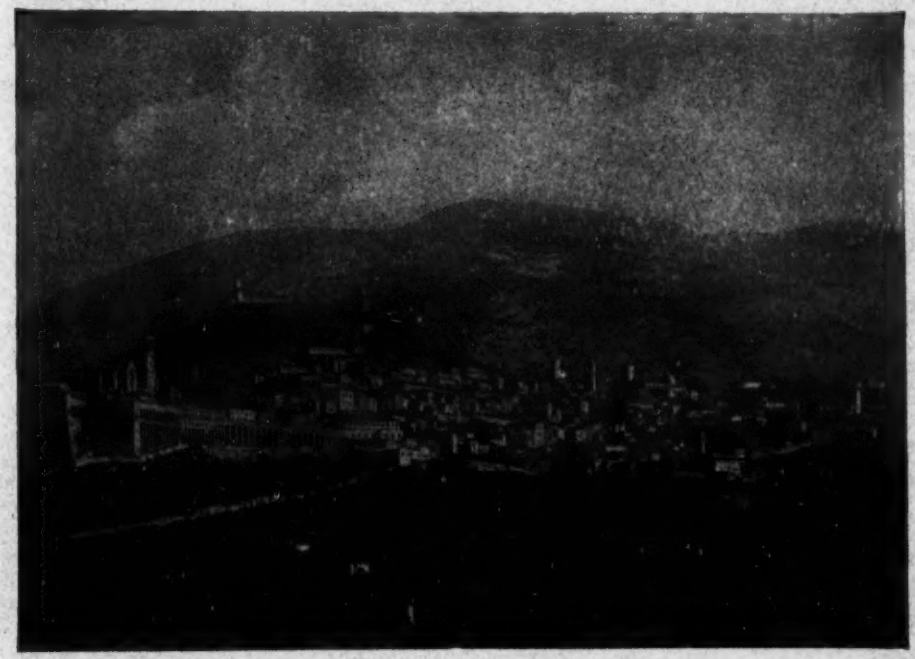

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For Sion's sake I will not hold my Peace, and for the sake of Jerusalem I will not rest until the JUST ONE comes forth as Brightness, and her SAVIOUR be lighted as a Lamp.—Isaias, lxii, II.

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## THE CALL OF CHRIST, THE KING

Last month the Leading Editorial in THE LAMP was "AN ADDRESS TO MARRIAGEABLE MAIDENS." It concluded with the following invitation.

*"He who writes these lines invites you in the King's Name to come to Graymoor, enter the convent and prepare yourself for the Divine Espousals. If you bring with you a pure and virgin heart, loving Jesus Christ* SUPREMELY, *He will not reject you, and when once He has set His signet ring upon your finger, He will never forget you. Neither will He rest until you are numbered among the Hundred and Forty and Four Thousand elect Virgins who are destined 'to follow the Lamb whithersoever He goeth,' i.e., you will be forever closely associated with the King of Kings, as a Bride with the Bridegroom, and from the Divine Lover nothing will separate you as long as eternity lasts."*

We have no idea or thought that this Invitation will go *entirely unheeded*. We will, in fact, be very much disappointed if in response to the call there is not a NEW ACCESSION OF POSTULANTS at the Mother House of the Franciscan Sisters of the Atonement, but no matter how many respond to the invitation, the demand for Sisters of the Atonement will most certainly exceed the supply. Therefore, we are writing again in this issue of THE LAMP on the same important theme. This time it is the

### CALL OF CHRIST THE KING FOR HANDMAIDENS TO ENTER THE FIELDS RIPE FOR HARVEST.

We ask all "MARRIAGEABLE MAIDENS," not now engaged, to read on page 301 of this issue the letter of Sister Bonaventure describing the ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO SCARA, Alberta, Canada, which took place on the Feast of the Assumption. How could a devout Catholic girl read an appeal like that and not be strongly moved to respond to the Master's Call, and enlist among the Missionary Sisters of the Atonement?

It is to be borne in mind that vast as this field in Northern Alberta among the Ruthenians is, it represents only one among a dozen important centers where the Sisters of the Atonement are stationed.

LET US COVER THEM BY A RAPID MENTAL FLIGHT.

From Smoky Lake, Alberta, we fly across the Canadian Rockies to Vancouver, the great Pacific sea-port City of Canada, where we find the Atonement Sisters working among the Japanese, with other opportunities of missionary service, limited only by the number of Sisters that can be sent to the populous and rapidly growing city of British Columbia. Flying southward along the Pacific Coast to the Diocese of Fresno and Monterey, we find the Sisters of the Atonement stationed at Delano, where they minister to the children of Mexican refugees. From Delano they cover a number of Catechetical centers in various directions, all of them reached by automobile.

A priest of the same Diocese, working for the Portuguese, has implored the Mother General to send him Sisters also for his Mission. In fact, the Vicar General of the Diocese made the same request recently, only to receive from the Mother General a reluctant "No."

From Delano, the next long flight is to Hereford, in the extreme Northwest of Texas. Here in the Texas Panhandle we find St. Francis' Mission House, the first Branch House from Graymoor established by the Sisters of the Atonement. Hereford is the County Seat, and the old Court House has been converted into the present beautiful St. Anthony's Church, where our Father Salvator, S.A., is Pastor, and the Sisters care for his flourishing school. Although the Panhandle of Texas is a stronghold of the Ku Klux Klan, such is the influence of our Mission in Hereford that it is the only town of considerable size in the Diocese of Amarillo where the Ku Klux organization does not exist.

Another long flight diagonally across the "Lone Star State" brings us next to Sour Lake, not far from Galveston on the Mexican Gulf coast. Here our Sisters support Father Collins in his far-flung mission work, not only ministering at the Church in Sour Lake, but visiting by automobile other mission centers, among them a settlement of Catholics descended from the original Acadians, driven out of Canada, and reaching in their wanderings as far south as Louisiana and Texas. From Sour Lake northward flight brings us to Washington, the Nation's Capital, and there we find the Sisters of the Atonement at The Vineyard, their little Convent nestling close to the Atonement Seminary of the Holy Ghost, that they may serve the Friar Clerics as Martha served Our Lord and His Apostles, —providing good and nourishing food for the young students, so that without distraction or housekeeping anxieties they may pursue with a single mind their

studies for the priesthood.

A short flight from Washington to Philadelphia, brings us to St. Simons' Mission House in the Negro section of the "City of Brotherly Love," where the Sisters of the Atonement are doing a wonderful work, bringing a knowledge of the Catholic Religion to the colored folk of the Baptist and Methodist persuasions. From Philadelphia directly west to Pittsburgh another flight brings us to Monaca, in the suburbs of the "Iron City," where we find the Graymoor Sisters doing Catechetical work among the children of an industrial population.

From Monaca we fly to the

GREAT METROPOLIS OF THE NEW WORLD

and there we find the Sisters of the Atonement busy at St. Clare's Settlement House, and again at St. Cecilia's Mission, where they have brought thousands of children to Confirmation and First Holy Communion who otherwise might have been lost to the Church altogether.

The next flight is northward across the Empire State to the Diocese of Ogdensburg, near the Canadian border, and there we find the Sisters laboring among the children of Messina and Norwood and Norfolk; while the See City waits for more Sisters so they can be established in the Cathedral parish.

From Ogdensburg a flight southward brings us to Graymoor, in the Highlands of the Hudson, where the Mother House of the Sisters is located, and where a few vacant beds in the Novitiate await the coming of more Postulants. Meantime when they can be spared, the Archbishop of Manila wishes to have the Sisters come to labor in the Philippine Islands. A call for Graymoor Sisters has come repeatedly from far away India. Truly, the world is their field, where the laborers are few, and the Lord of the Harvest calls for more volunteers. HAPPY ARE THEY THAT RESPOND TO THE INVITATION FOR THE REWARD IS GREAT. All who are disposed to accept the call of Christ the King to join the ranks of the Sisters of the Atonement, should address themselves without delay to Reverend Mother Lurana Mary Francis, S.A., Graymoor, Garrison, N. Y.

# The Church Unity Octave Address to Foreign Missionaries

This is THE LAMP'S FIRST CALL to the MISSIONARIES IN PAGAN LANDS AFAR to prepare in plenty of time for the observance of the next CHURCH UNITY OCTAVE, January 18th to 25th, 1929.

Every year the observance of the "CHAIR OF UNITY OCTAVE," as it is frequently called, increases in universality throughout the length and breadth of the Catholic World. The Missionaries in India, China, Japan, Africa and the Islands of the Sea, are vieing with Europe and North America in making the Octave a time of united supplication to Almighty God, echoing the prayer of Christ, the Good Shepherd, that His Sheep should constitute but one Fold and One Shepherd.

There is a special reason why the Octave next January should be better observed than ever before, and that reason is because MORE THAN ONE THOUSAND CARDINALS, ARCHBISHOPS,, BISHOPS AND FATHER GENERALS OF RELIGIOUS ORDERS have signed a petition addressed to the Holy Father, asking the Vicar of Christ by his Supreme Authority, to make the Observance of the Church Unity Octave actually universal in every diocese and missionary vicariate of the Catholic Church throughout the world.

Now that the majority of the Catholic Hierarchy have signed this petition the day when the Holy Father will take it under advisement, after having submitted it to the Sacred Congregation of Rites, we hope and pray will not be far distant.

We therefore ask all Missionaries who receive THE LAMP in Asia, Africa, Australia, as well as in America to take part in the world-wide observance of the Octave this year, and we will welcome any letters announcing this intention and those that come from the utmost parts of the earth will be the most welcome of all.

**Belgium:** Reverend L. Dumoulin, S.J., writes as follows: "I am very happy in letting you know that the Unity Octave has been celebrated with great fervour in Belgium. The magnificent example set by His Eminence, the Cardinal, prescribing the public celebration of it for his Archdiocese, has furthered the movement immensely, and I hope his example will be followed by all the other Bishops for next year's Octave.

"Pro Apostolis" (magazine) took its share in the propaganda. In the month of December we sent out some eight thousand circulars to all parishes, convents, colleges, etc. Orders came in for about 80,000 leaflets containing the historical notice and the prayers.

More and more the celebration will become general, and De volente, we shall continue working for it."

**Java:** Father Haarselhorst, S.J., writes: "In your last letter but one you asked me for a report of the observance of the Church Unity Octave in Java. To get a true idea of it, it will be necessary to keep in mind that although there are about 50,000 Catholic Europeans in Java, a great number of them are connected with plantations and quite out of reach of a Catholic priest. Considering this, I think we may be satisfied with this years's result. Some 9,000 Dutch leaflets were ordered by various parish priests.

For the first time this year the Octave was propagated among the Javanese. The cheque you were so kind to send me, enabled us to do so. There are only 8,000 Catholic Javanese, and among them not less than 3,200 leaflets in the Javanese tongue were distributed, although they were printed at the last moment. This success is due to the zeal of Father V., who for the last few years has been propagating the Church Unity Octave among the Dutch Catholics of Java. I quote from his letter to me, 'I did not receive particulars about the zeal with which the Octave was observed elsewhere. But if we may judge from the way it was observed here, at Solo, it has been observed with surprising zeal. Europeans, Javanese and Chinese, one never sees in church during the week, observed the Octave with daily Communion.' So much for the Octave."

# MULTUM IN PARVO

*Edited by Brother Saul, T.S.A.*

**A Member of the C. P. A. and a Subscriber to the N. C. W. C. News Service, Washington, D. C.**

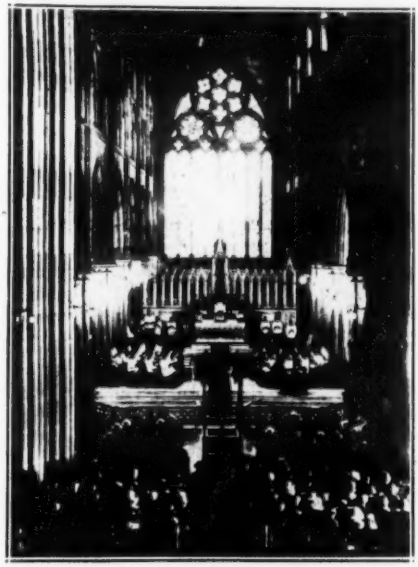
In accordance with the wish of Pius XI., the Holy Eucharist and the Blessed Virgin formed the basic theme of the discourses delivered at the 29th International Eucharistic Congress, held at Sydney, N. S. W., September 6-9. The titles of the discourses were fifteen in number and assigned to as many different countries.

The California campaign to raise $4,000,000 for the construction of the new Loyola University, which is to be devoted exclusively to the instruction of young men of all races and creeds, is now in full swing.

Hundreds of business and professional men of the metropolitan area of Los Angeles have banded together to assure the success of this undertaking which will make Southern California a leading educational center.

No doubt *The Catholic Citizen* speaks very much to the point when it says:

"A Catholic finally mounted the throne of England in the latter decades of the seventeenth century, but he was one of the "ill-fated Stuarts," who could not manage a delicate situation, and who could always be depended upon doing the right thing in the wrong way. If James II had ruled with policy and suavity, the birth of a son and successor might not have been the signal for his overthrow. A succession of Catholic monarchs might have restored England to the faith, for there always had been a considerable under-stratum of Catholicity."



**Interior of St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney, Australia, Center of the 1928 Eucharistic Congress**

Mass celebrated in one of the largest parks of Antwerp and attended by more than 100,000 persons presented an imposing spectacle at the meeting of the Association of Flemish Catholic Youth recently held. The Apostolic Nuncio, Monsignor Micara; the Bishop of Bruges, Liege and Ghent, and the Auxiliary Bishop of Mechlin assisted at the Mass, which was celebrated by Cardinal van Roey. At the last benediction, thousands of youthful voices cried out in unison: "*Christus vincit! Christus regnat! Christus imperat!*" The motto of the Association is "Flanders for Christ," and its object is to offset the growing indifference to religion exhibited by young people of the world, by instilling in the Flemish youth a love of God and of the spiritual beauties of life. A letter of congratulation and inspiration from the Holy Father, read by the Cardinal at the closing session, was greeted with cries of "Long live the Pope!"

The St. Louis *Globe-Democrat* describes the religion of both of the Presidential candidates, as "a real political phenomenon, as follows:

"And so we have a real political phenomenon, a Catholic candidate for President presented by the Democratic party and a Quaker candidate for President presented by the Republican party, both representatives of sects that were equally proscribed and equally persecuted in the early days of our country. With what emotions of horror would the Puritan Fathers have visioned such a possibility in the nation they were helping to establish. For they hated Quakers as much as they did Catholics. 'Quakers and Catholics differed so far, though in opposite directions, from the opinions generally held by the English people, that they were alike condemned by everybody,' says John Fiske, the historian, in his book, 'The Dutch and Quaker Colonies in America.' 'Even the warmest advocates of toleration,' he continues, 'were wont to make an exception in the case of Catholics and Quakers, who were regarded as hardly within the pale of Christianity.'"

An announcement indicates that a "parliament of religions" with a Methodist minister, Rev. George W. Dixon, as chairman, will be a feature of the 1933 Chicago World's Fair Centennial. As an exposition of a large variety of errors it might prove interesting, if painful. But perhaps a Methodist can foresee some method in this madness.

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News has been received from Kabul, capital of Afghanistan, that since his return from Europe the King has issued orders prohibiting persons practicing polygamy from holding government office. This has caused a great stir in religious circles, as the Mussulmans accuse the sovereign of contradicting the law of Mahomet. The Catholic missionaries feel encouraged by this monarchial edict and predict that it is a forerunner of total prohibition of polygamy in Afghanistan. The practices of polygamy and child-marriage are the two greatest difficulties encountered by missionaries in southern Asia. It is also interesting to note that in Constantinople and some other parts of Turkey, Latin characters are supplanting the Arabic street and store signs, with the personal encouragement of the Turkish powers that be.

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The hundredth anniversary of the signing of the first "Treaty of Peace" between Argentina and Brazil has occasioned official, religious, cultural and commercial celebrations in the two countries. Reciprocal diplomatic functions have occurred in both capitals and in the cathedral of Buenos Aires, Archbishop Bottaro presided during the chanting of a solemn "Te Deum." In all the schools of Argentina, pupils prepared papers setting forth the mutual advantages of lasting peace between the two nations, afterwards gathering in the public squares to sing Brazilian and Argentine anthems.

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A campaign in England to instruct public opinion on the Catholic school position, and to solidify the Catholic vote in view of the next parliamentary general election, has been launched under the aegis of the Hierarchy. At their last annual meeting the Bishops discussed at length the grave situation in which Catholic schools find themselves under the compromise entered into with the government in 1902. The new campaign is the outcome of resolutions passed by the Bishops. With the title the Catholic Societies' Education Committee a body has been called together by Cardinal Bourne consisting of representatives of the Knights of St. Columba, the Catenian Association and the Catholic Women's League, together with the Westminster Catholic Federation, which is directing the movement.

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Freedom of conscience, speech and assembly, the prohibition of a state religion, and the provision that religious instruction shall not be compulsory in a state-aided school are high lights of the religious section of the draft of a constitution of India, drawn up by a committee of the All-Parties Conference and submitted to the British Parliamentary Commission for India. It is also provided in this section that a person's "religion, caste or creed" shall in no way prejudice his holding public office, positions of power or honor, or the exercise of his trade or calling.

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*Washington, Sept. 13.—Interviewed today concerning the official authority of pronouncements in the "Osservatore Romano", His Excellency the Apostolic Delegate to the United States, Archbishop Fumasoni-Biondi, said he was surprised to learn that there was any misunderstanding on the matter. Time and again, His Excellency said, this question has been answered by the authorities of the Holy See.*

*Continuing, His Excellency added that the "Osservatore Romano" is called the "organ of the Holy See" or "the Papal organ" or "the mouthpiece of the Holy See" inasmuch as it is a journal used by the Holy See to make public special announcements. But in all such cases, the "Osservatore Romano" is expressly authorized to speak in the name of the Holy See, and moreover such pronouncements are always printed by the "Osservatore Romano" in the form of special communications. In its general management and ordinary articles and editorials, it is directed by and is under the supervision of its own editor. It is, therefore, in these respects to be considered as any other newspaper of such long standing and high character as the "Osservatore Romano" throughout its history has shown itself to be.*

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Questions of spiritual authority in the Church of England are being raised by a section of Anglicans because the Archbishop of Canterbury has resigned to the King and not to Convocation. It is thought that the form of the resignation, if unchallenged, may have far reaching effects on the future of the established church in this country. Dr. Davidson's resignation was made to the King in accordance with the Bishops' Resignation Act of 1869. On the acceptance of the resignation official notification was made in the "London Gazette." A committee of Bishops was then named by the King to receive the resignation. A certain section of churchmen maintain that the only "canonical" method of resignation would be to Convocation, the governing body of the Anglican Church.

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Students sent to the Catholic University of America this year by the Clerics of St. Viator and the Brothers of St. Francis Xavier will be accommodated in houses just established by their respective communities near the University campus. While both of these religious bodies have had students at the Catholic University before, neither has hitherto maintained a house in Washington.

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In Holland a community of sisters has been founded which labors for conversions, not among the savages of undeveloped parts of the globe but, for the pagans of the center of civilization.

## PERSONALS

Appointment of four new Marquette University deans was announced just previous to the opening of registration for the fall term by the Rev. William M. Magee, S.J., president of the University. Registration started Wednesday, to continue three days. The new deans are the Rev. William Grace, S.J., for the last three years President of Creighton university, Omaha, dean of the College of Liberal Arts; the Rev. John Berens, S.J., of St. Mary's College, Kansas, dean of men; Dr. Bernard F. McGrath, Harvard graduate, formerly of the Mayo clinic and for twelve years professor of surgery at Marquette, dean of the School of Medicine, and Prof. J. L. O'Sullivan, veteran newspaper man and for four years professor of journalism there, dean of the College of Journalism.

Funeral services for Patrick J. ("Paddy") Lynch, who saved more than two score of lives in nearly 50 years' service in the Fire Department and was awarded the Congressional Medal for his outstanding heroism in the General Slocum steamship disaster, 24 years ago, were held September 15, at St. Jerome's church, New York. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery. He died on the 13th, aged 75. Mr. Lynch, who was born in the Corlears Hook section, joined the Fire Department in 1879, and distinguished himself in his first year's service by saving the lives of two children in a fire. For this he was decorated and his name placed on the merit roll.

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. James H. Ryan, Rector of the Catholic University of America, will be a speak r at the eighth annual convention of the National Council of Catholic Women, to be held at Cleveland, October 6 to 10, it has been announced. Monsignor Ryan will address a general session of the convention on the morning of October 10 and his topic will be "University Training for Social Workers." The Rev. John J. Burke, C.S.P., General Secretary of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, will be a speaker at the banquet with which the convention is to come to a close.

Four members of the 1928 Canadian Olympic track team, all of whom competed with success at Amsterdam, have enrolled at Marquette University in Milwaukee. The athletes are "Johnny" Fitzpatrick of Toronto and Ralph Adams of Hamilton, Ontario, outstanding runners in the 100 and 220 yard dashes; Jack Walter of Listwell, Ontario, who runs the quarter-mile, and his brother, Arnold Walter, whose specialty is the mile and a half race. All of them are record holders.

The lone Catholic missioner, Fr. Pierre van Megan, on the tiny island of Atiu, one of the Cook Islands in the South Seas, waits four months for the mail steamer to bring news from the outside world. He has been twelve years at this post and has never seen his two priest neighbors on nearby islands of the same mission. He is visited a few times a year by his superior the Monsignor so that he may have the benefit of confession.

Sir Herbert Stanley, the governor of Ceylon, in an address at the commencement exercises of St. Joseph's College, Bombay, praised the religious atmosphere in Catholic Education as the great builder of character. His Excellency declared that the playground builds many, what boys learn from books is important but lives are formed in a special way through the religious atmosphere in which education is imparted. The Governor claimed this as a reason for seeing advantages in denominational schools above those of no denomination as run by the Government and stated he acknowledged as especially valuable the public secondary schools that had been started by private effort and are now subsidized by the Government.

The twenty-third Carmelite convent to be founded by the present prioress of the community at Notting Hill, London, has just been opened by Cardinal Bourne at Saffron Walden, Essex. This remarkable record exceeds that of St. Teresa, who reformed the Carmelite Order, for according to the account of her life in the Catholic Encyclopedia, she appears to have founded seventeen communities. The Notting Hill prioress is 77 years of age. Before the solemn enclosure, the convent was open for the inspection of visitors, Catholic and non-Catholic, and all who came also were given the opportunity of speaking with the nuns who now form the community. The house is believed to be the only one which has been specially built for its purpose in England, all the other Carmelite convents being adaptations of houses built for other purposes. Building operations were begun a year ago, the cost—$100,000—being borne by a lady who desires anonymity.

**Manila, P. I., Sept. 10.—Miss Isabella de los Reyes, daughter of the "pope" of the Aglipayan heretics, has recently been received as a novice in a Carmelite Convent of this city. Her entry into Carmel aroused widespread interest throughout the Islands. This is the third daughter of the heretical "pope" who has entered a Roman Catholic community. One of the daughters is a Benedictine nun, while another is a Franciscan Missionary of Mary, at present in Rome.**

Being told that Nebraska Masons claimed they were for Hoover and being asked why he, a Mason also, was for Smith, Justice Scudder of New Hampshire replied: "There is no connection between my Freemasonry, the Governor's Catholicism and my advocacy of his election as President. Freemasonry has no concern with any man's religion other than to exact of its members belief in God and moral lives. Governor Smith is a God fearing man, a churchman and lives a moral life. Freemasonry has no concern with politics other than to urge its members to be loyal citizens, obedient to the laws of their country. I, then, as a Freemason am bound to uphold the constitution and the laws of my country. These forbid a religious test as a qualification for public office. * * * In great ability, vast experience, high courage and deep human understanding he brings rare discrimination, keen judgment and a full consciousness of the responsibility of leadership. He is free of guile and pretense. His tastes are wholesome and simple. His life is kindly, his thoughts pure.

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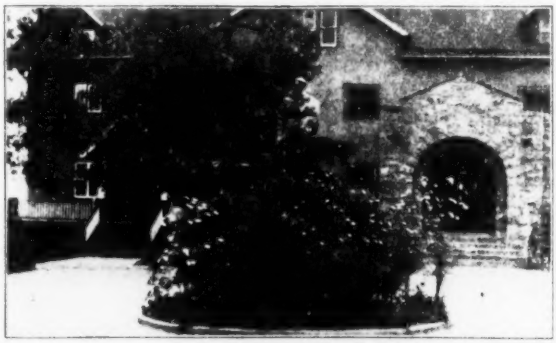
# Graymoor Annals.

The Feast of Our Lady's Nativity, September 8th, 1928, was a glorious and memorable day at Graymoor. It was the Twenty-eighth Anniversary of Breaking Ground for St. Paul's Friary, and the events of the day spoke most eloquently of the wonders God has wrought on the Mount of the Atonement. At the early Mass St. Francis' Church was crowded with Friars, Novices and Students, and little room was left for the other sojourners on the Mountain. At nine o'clock there was Solemn High Mass in the Oratory of the Little Flower, followed by the Clothing of nine young men from St. John's House of Studies, who had finished their preliminary course, and were now ready to enter the Novitiate. At the same time six Novices made their profession preparatory to going to Washington to continue their studies for the priesthood at the Atonement Seminary of the Holy Ghost, affiliated with the Catholic University.

The large auditorium was almost entirely filled with a religious and secular congregation, all of them profoundly interested in the impressive ceremony of Clothing and Profession. It was the day fixed for the opening of St. John's House of Studies, and a larger body of students than ever before in its history were in attendance at the ceremonies, besides the Friars and Sisters from the valley below, guests from Our Lady's Hostel, relatives and friends of the Novices and newly professed, and not a few of the workmen on the Mountain. It was a magnificent day, the sun shining brilliantly in a cloudless sky, and the Mountain carpeted with green grass, and ornamented with trees of many varieties, variegated flowers and shrubbery. The Monastic buildings crowning the summit, formed a scene of beauty, that those who took part in the celebration will not soon forget.

We publish in the next column the names of the Professed and of the Novices, also the place whence they came.



St. Anthony's Statue in front of our Preparatory Seminary at Graymoor

**Friar Clerics Professed**

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| James Sullivan | " | Anthony | Brooklyn, N. Y. |
| Andrew Lewis | " | Andrew | Souris, P. A. I., Can. |
| Thomas Foley | " | Bernard | Brasier Falls, N. Y. |
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**The New Novices**

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| James P. Feely | " | Thomas | Chicago, Ill. |
| Patrick J. Keating | " | Cyril | Long Harbor, N. F. |
| George F. Delabunt | " | Angelus | Moncton, Canada |
| Thos. P. Brady | " | John M. | Boston, Mass. |
| James L. Logan | " | Timothy | Syracuse, N. Y. |
| Francis X. Herne | " | Xavier | Boston, Mass. |
| R. A. Pendergville | " | Jerome | Brooklyn, N. Y. |
| Richard F. Harding | " | Theophane | Boston, Mass. |

The Friars of the Atonement have made a great stride forward during September in the number of their Students for the Priesthood. Prior to September 8th the number of students for the Priesthood including St. John's House of Studies, the Novitiate and the Seminary at Washington, was sixty. The new accessions to St. John's House of Studies have brought the total up to eighty and probably these will reach eighty-five or ninety by Christmas, which will be an increase of approximately fifty per cent over the record of a year ago.

Already the enlargement made in St. John's House of Studies by the erection of the Little Flower Memorial is being taxed by the influx of new students, and we are once more confronted with the necessity of erecting without delay another extension to our Preparatory Seminary if we are to take care of the pious youths who want to join the Society of the Atonement and to become Graymoor Friars.

## GRAYMOOR BURSES

*Contributions towards the Uncompleted Burses during the month of August were below the average. The only Burses that made an ascent of the ladder from their former position are the Sacred Heart, Our Sorrowful Mother, Good Will and St. Gerard Majella. Whereas the other three climbed one rung that of St. Gerard Majella made an ascent of TWO rungs. The close race between St. Anthony and Brother Philip Self-Denial Burses continues. This time Brother Philip gained a bit and lessened the gap between his own and St. Anthony's Burse by the sum of $4.25. Holy Spirit Burse which has been stationary of late will probably secure a large impulse during the month of October when the Hudson River Chapter Knights of Columbus will hold their bi-monthly meeting on the Mount of the Atonement. An effort is being made by the Knights to complete this Burse on that occasion. Whether it will be crowned with complete success remains to be seen.*

### COMPLETED BURSES

**SACRED HEART, No. 1; SACRED HEART, No. 2; ST. PETER, ST. FRANCIS, ST. ANTHONY, ST. AGNES, OUR LADY OF LA SALETTE, POOR SOULS, No. 1; POOR SOULS, No. 2; and JOHN REID.**

### UNCOMPLETED BURSES

**(1) St. George:** Total, $10,[illegible]00.

**(2 Little Flower:** M. V. Z., $1; C. L. deO'B., $6; Mrs. J. J., $1; L. I., $5; Mrs. McD., $1.50; C. R. K., $1; Rev. M. J. D., $1; E. F. C., $5. Total, $3,070.20.

**(3) Holy Spirit:** Total, $3,582.13.

**(4) St. Anthony:** Mrs. M. F., $3; Mrs. J. N., $1; Mrs. C. E. S., $1; Miss I. B., $5; Mrs. P. V., $1; Mrs. L. B. A., $3; M. E. G., $3; L. I., $5; M. L. B., $1; I. A. C., 25c; C. R. K., $1; M. A. McG., $2. Total, $3,198.48.

**(5) Brother Philip Self-Denial:** C. C., $1; M. A. B., $3; Mrs. J. H. B., $3; Mrs. J. N., $1; A. P., $1; E. M. B., $1; S. S., $2; F. C., $1; Mrs. J. H. B., $2; Mrs. E. O'D., $1; Miss J. R., $1; R. P., $10; Mrs. A. L., $1; **R. A. C.**, $1; Mrs. S. O'B., $1. Total, $3,091.61.

**(6) St. Paul:** Total $2,045.30.

**(7) St. Francis Xavier:** Total, 2,372.55.

**(8) Our Lady of the Atonement:** B. A. D., $2; Mrs. C. L. de O'B., $4; K. L. R., $1; A. H., $1.20; Mrs. R. B., $1; Mr. and Mrs. I. A. C., $3. Total, $2,204.70.

**(9) St Joseph:** F. K., $1; Mrs. C. L. deO'B., $2; Mrs. M. S., $1; J. F. H., $1; Mrs. R. K., $1; L. I., $5. Total, $1,398.85.

**(10) Sts. Simon and Jude:** Mrs. A. J. F., $1; Mrs. J. N., $1; Mrs. A. B., $2; Sr. St. G., $1; J. T. S., $5; G. P. F., $1; Mrs. B. L., 50c; Mrs. G. G., $1.50; C. R. K., $1; Mrs. G. P., $1; Mrs. McD., $1.50; Mrs. W. J. B., Jr., $5; Miss H. M. K., $1; Mrs. W. E. P., $2; K. S., $5; M. A. McG., $2; Mrs. M. D., $1; C. R. K., $1; Mrs. J. G., $1. Total, $1,224.28.

**A group of Graymoor Friars and Students: The Father General in center; Father Gabriel, S.A., Director of St. John's Preparatory Seminary at right; Father Anselm, S.A., Novice-Master at left.**

**(11) Our Lady of Lourdes:** Mrs. C. L. deO'B., $20; L. I., $5. Total, $1,067.36.

**(12) Our Lady of Perpetual Help:** M. V. Z., $1; J. M. R., $1; F. M. B., $5; Mrs. J. M., $1. Total: $658.05.

**(13) Hope:** Total, $907.18.

**(14) St. John the Baptist:** Miss S. A. B., $5. Total $872.75.

**(15) St. Rita:** T. A. P., $1; G. J. Z., $1. Total, $769.16.

**(16) Sacred Shoulder of Our Lord:** Miss M. M., $1; J. M. R., $2. Total, $780.00.

**(17) Pius X:** E. C., $7; D. F. D., $30. Total, $691.25.

**(18) St. Vincent:** Dr. T. V. H., $50. Total, $671.00.

**(19) St. Christopher:** A. F. B., $2; A. T. S., $1; Mrs. C. L. deO'B., $3; L. I., $5; E. T. W., $1. Total, $614.34.

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# Boys and Young Men Wishing to Become Priests and Lay Brothers in the Society of the Atonement--Attention!

St. John's House of Studies, Graymoor, opened last month with the largest roll of students in its history, —so many, in fact, that the old part of our Preparatory Seminary at Graymoor was completely filled, and the new Little Flower wing is almost full. Just a few more youths and young men can be accommodated if they make their applications for admission before Christmas.

Many worthy young men are so situated that they cannot pay their way through the long course of study required for the priesthood. This fact should not deter any pious youth who feels the call of God to the Religious Priesthood from making his application for admission at Graymoor. As sons of St. Francis we have learned to depend upon Divine Providence, and we do not allow poverty to stand as an obstacle in the way of admission to our Community.

**Little Flower Memorial with St. John's House of Studies on left and St. Francis Church on extreme right.**

### Lay Brothers

There are other young men who do not recognize a call to the priesthood, and yet desire to serve God in Holy Religion as Brothers. These also are welcomed at Graymoor. Our Brothers serve as auxiliaries to the priests in their missionary labors. We have plenty of work for them as teachers, typists, stenographers, bookkeepers, nurses, cooks, carpenters, masons, plumbers, electricians, painters, farmers, road-builders and chauffeurs.

Besides the Brothers who take the religious vows, we have Brothers who wear the habit, but do not take the vows. These we call "Tertiaries,"—usually older men who have gone past the age limit set by Canon Law for admission to the Novitiate, in other words, who are over thirty-five years of age; although in special cases dispensations can be gotten even for the older men after they have been duly tried, to become Brothers under vows.

All applications for admission whether they be Aspirants for Priesthood, or Brotherhood should address themselves to Very Rev. Paul James Francis, S.A., Father General, Franciscan Friars of the Atonement, Graymoor, Garrison, New York.

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**(20) Immaculate Conception:** Total, $567.00.

**(21) St. Ann:** Mrs. J. N., $1; M. V. Z., $1; Mrs. W. R., $1.20; A. Q., $1; C. B., $1.25; J. N., $1. Total, $566.08.

**(22) St. Patrick:** Total, $518.50.

**(23) Fr. Drumgoole:** H. T. M., $5; M. A. F., $1; M. McG., $25; M. K., $5; H. T. M., $5. Total, $484.50.

**(24) Holy Face:** Total, $382.60.

**(25) Our Lady of Victory:** C. R. K., $2. Total, $315.80.

**(26) St. Francis of Assisi:** Miss M. S., $1. Total, $292.25

**(27) Sacred Heart, No. 3:** F. L. B., $1.50; Miss K. B., $3;

Mrs. T. W. B., $1; M. P., 30c; E. B., 50c; A. M. F., 40c; J. B., 30c; E. L., $5; L. I., $10; H. McB., 50c; J. J. S., $5; Mrs. A. J., $1. Total, $287.30.

**(28) Holy Souls:** Mrs. J. N., $1. Total, $275.85.

**(29) Holy Child Jesus:** Total, $250.18.

**(30) St. Margaret Mary:** C. R., $5; Miss M. S., $1. Total, $227.95.

**(31) St. William:** Total, $216.00.

**(32) Precious Blood:** Miss M. M., $1; Mrs. J. M., $5. Total, $187.60.

**(33) Blessed Sacrament:** N. A. D., $2.50. Total, $173.75

**(34) St Boniface:** Total, 159.00.

**(35) Five Wounds:** Total, 156.05.

**(36) Holy Family:** Total, $136.30.

**(37) Our Sorrowful Mother:** Mrs. K. N., $2. Total, $117.25

**(38) St. Nicholas:** Total, $116.00.

**(39) St. Joan of Arc:** S. B., $5; Mrs. T. A. B., $1. Total, $113.20.

**(40) Good Will:** Miss S. B., $5; S. L. B., $5. Total, $73.72.

**(41) Thy Kingdom Come:** Total, $69.00.

**(42) St. Gerard Magella:** Miss S. A. B., $5; Mrs. C. K., $1; O. E., $5; E. K., $5; Mrs. A. J., $1. Total, $68.00.

**(43) Cardinal Bonzano:** R. M., $2. Total, $54.05.

**(44) Holy Magi:** Total, $52.00.

**(45) Our Lady of Mount Carmel:** Total, $10.00.

**(46) Our Lady of Prompt Succor:** Mrs. C. L. DeO'B., $10. Total, $10.00.

**(47) St. Paul of the Cross:** Miss S. B., $5. Total, $9.00.

**(48) St. Blase:** Total $6.05.

## CATHOLIC ART CALENDAR FOR 1929

The Franciscan Friars of the Atonement offer to the Readers of THE LAMP the new 1929 Catholic Art Calendar which undoubtedly will be the best Catholic Calendar issued in America for the coming year. In fact it is the greatest of all Calendars. No expense has been spared in making the 1929 Calendar more excellent even than its Splendid Predecessors. Thousands of dollars were spent on pictures, coloring, designs and plans before a single copy was printed. The publishers are confident that they are offering to the Catholics of the United States the most beautiful religious Calendar to be gotten anywhere at any price. Year after year THE LAMP has sold to its Readers thousands of these Catholic Art Calendars. Our supply last year was exhausted by the demand. We believe it will be the same this year. It would be well therefore for our Readers to PLACE THEIR ORDERS EARLY. *This Calendar makes one of the best Christmas gifts you can send to a friend*, especially when accompanied by one of our Christmas greeting cards. The price of a single calendar will be forty cents, three are sent postpaid for $1.00, one dozen for $3.90. Address orders to THE LAMP, Graymoor Press, Peekskill, N. Y.

### ST. CHRISTOPHER'S FUND

Mrs. T. L. D., Stockton, Cal.: *"I am enclosing my check which I wish you to apply to the St. Christopher Fund. We were on a very dangerous mountain trip yesterday and had considerable trouble with the car. I promised St. Christopher the above amount if he would guide us home safely which he did."*

## A GOOD MONTH FOR STUDENTS' BREAD

August proved a very good month for Students' Bread, the total offerings being $856.94. Nevertheless, this is somewhat short of the $1,000 which we are asking so that we might have a total for the year of forty scholarships.

Last year made the best record we have ever had of contributions on the part of our LAMP Readers for the support of our students to the Priesthood. It is gratifying to note that the grand total for August this year is almost double what it was for August, 1927. With an increase of thirty-five per cent in the number of our Students for the Priesthood, however, we are desperately in need of larger contributions for Students' Bread and we are most grateful to our LAMP Readers for sending us such generous offerings towards the support of the eighty young men now studying for the Priesthood in the Society of the Atonement.

### CONTRIBUTIONS FOR STUDENTS' BREAD

Previously Reported, $5,403.57. Anonymous, $2; A. A., $2; Visitor, $15; J. S., $8; M. D., $10; M. J. S., $5; K. M. O., $1; Anonymous, $1; C. M. W., $1; Mrs. M., $10; Anonymous, $10; Q. M., $1; A. H., $21.85; Mrs. H. F., $2; Mrs. M. C. A., $5; Collection, $5; Anonymous, $3; J. K., Jr., 50c; Mrs. F. B., $4; Mrs. C. C., $50; Visitor, $10; F. M., $100; Visitor $11; A. S., $10; Collection, $6; M. A. W., $1; Mrs. A. L. C., $5; Miss D. B. T., $2; J. R. V., $11.50; J. S., $100; Visitor, 25c; Anonymous, $10; S. A. B., $2; Mrs. C. M., $10; Miss A. L., $5; Visitor, $1; Mr. and Mrs. H. L. P., $1; J. F. S., $1; Miss A. M., $1; Miss E. B., $1; Miss R. M., $1; Collection, $7.14; Mrs. H. G., $1; St. Peter's Church Collection, $149.95; Anonymous, $4.50; H. F., $10; Mrs. E. W. L., $5; A. G., $1; Mrs. B. M. K., $1; P. W., $1; J. M. K., $10; Anonymous, 50c; H. J. G., $1; Collection, $5.30; Anonymous, $1; Mrs. J. L. C., $5; Anonymous, 47c; H. M., $5; C. F., $1; Mrs. L. D. M., $200. Grand Total to August 31st, 1928, $6,240.51.

## NOTICE

In order to prevent the possible necessity of undelivered letters being sent to the Dead Letter Office the Government advises and urges that the writer always attach his return address to all envelopes mailed out. This is not only an advisable precaution, but it is also a very useful practice from the standpoint of our own records, as it saves in clerical work and promotes prompt acknowledgment and filing.

## HELP US ELIMINATE DUPLICATIONS

Those who are receiving regularly more than one copy of THE LAMP will do us a FRIENDLY ACT by mailing a post card to the Graymoor Press, Peekskill, N. Y. notifying us to discontinue the surplus copy. It will cost you a cent but it will save us fifty or a hundred cents.

**Buy a Five Thousand Dollar Annuity Bond which will pay you high interest in life and become a Burse for the Education of Priests after your death. Can be paid for by degrees.**

# A Chat With Those Who Receive The Lamp Through the Courtesy of the Editor

Our complimentary list is a long one. Someone not a LAMP subscriber writes to Graymoor asking to be remembered in the Novena to St. Anthony or the Little Flower. Out of grateful appreciation of the offering which oftentimes accompanies the request we place them for a few months on the mailing list of THE LAMP. Others are placed on the list at the request of friends. It is always our hope that these ACCIDENTAL READERS of our Graymoor Monthly will catch the missionary spirit that breathes through its pages and as VOLUNTEERS *join the ranks of our* LAMP ARMY.

No one who scans the pages of THE LAMP for several issues can fail to recognize WHAT A MISSIONARY POWER IT IS. People frequently express their wonder at the wonderful achievement of THE LAMP. One of the GREATEST PROBLEMS which the Editor has to solve is HOW TO KEEP UP THE FIGHTING STRENGTH OF THE ARMY TO A HUNDRED THOUSAND ACTIVE SOLDIERS. *Our principal hope of success is centered in these good Catholic Friends to whom we mail the magazine for a time* ON TRIAL. *Will not those who have been receiving The Lamp in this way* JOIN OUR LAMP ARMY AND BECOME REGULAR SUBSCRIBERS? We are sure that it will bring a blessing to you, stimulate your piety and zeal for the extension of the Kingdom of God and give you an opportunity to co-operate with the Missionaries in the salvation of souls. WHEN WE WRITE YOU A PERSONAL LETTER INVITING YOU TO BECOME A REGULAR SUBSCRIBER PLEASE REMEMBER THIS EDITORIAL AND SAY "YES" TO THE INVITATION. Put yourself in the Editor's place and you surely will enroll in the Army FOR LIFE!

## CARMELITES WHO WISH TO ESCAPE FROM MEXICO

### Response to Lamp Appeal

*IN the September LAMP we published a letter from a Carmelite princess in the West, who told of two Communities of Carmelite Nuns desirous of escaping from the land of "the Black Czar," Plutarco Elias Calles. The letter stated that one Community had a friend who would defray the cost of their transportation into the United States, but no Bishop to adopt them; the other Community were fortunate in having a Bishop who is willing to receive them, but they lacked the means of transportation. The Mother Priorress in her second letter informed us that there were fifteen Carmelite Nuns lacking transportation, and that the cost of bringing each one into the country and the home that awaited them would be $150.00. From our Mexican Fund the Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost pledged transportation for* THREE *of the Sisters, and we are glad to publish below a list of generous Readers of The Lamp who have sent contributions for the same purpose.*

## GIFTS FOR TRANSPORTATION FOR CARMELITE SISTERS FROM MEXICO

M. V., $5; Mrs. C. D., $5; Miss M. McC., $5; T. H., $5; J. H. B., $5; P. L. DeL., $5; Mrs. C. A. L., $5; Mrs. M. S., $5; K. G., $5; D. J. L. S., $5; E. K., $7; Mrs. H. J. D., $10; B. J. C., $10; I. G., $15; Dr. P. C. B., $15; A. C. H., $25; Mrs. H. E. W., $1; J. J. W., $1; Mrs. N. B. C., $1; Anon., $5; C. F., $5; J. P. G., $5; M. F., $5; Mrs. D. A. F., $5; Miss M. C., $5; J. H. T., $5; Anon., $10; C. J. B., $10; G. J. N., $10; H. A. B., $20; Miss M. V. P., $1; Miss K. O'F., $2; B. W. C., $2.50; M. C., $5; Mrs. M. H., $5; D. J. S., $5; Miss McG., $5; M. G., $10; M. M., $25; M. A. D., $25; Mrs. M. McN., $2; M. L. B., $5; T. U., $5; F. McC., $5; B. H., $5; A. A. C., $10; G. J. H., $10; M. K., $20; M. P. C., $25; J. B. M., $75; M. M., $5; L. F. McN., $1; Mrs. M. D., $1; L. M., $1; Mr. De W., $2; Mrs. S., $2; Miss M. E., $2; Mrs. J. P., $5; Mrs. F. F., $5; Mrs. J. M., $5; M. J. C., $5; Mrs. M. B., $5; M. McL., $5; Miss A. W., $10; E. C., $150; Sr. Mary De S., $300; Mrs. M. U. B., $25; Mrs. L. J., $1; E. J. Z., $1; Miss H. V. G., $1; Miss C. B., $2; M. McL., $5; Miss M. C., $5; Mrs. A. C., $5; J. F. B., $5; Rev. J. T. McK., $5; Mrs. M. N., $6; Mrs. L. B., $10; Rev. J. J. B., $10; Miss M. M. O'B., $10; Mrs. L. H., $20; Mrs. A. P. S., $150; Mrs. W. N., $5; J. D. D., $5; M. Van H., $2; Mrs. J. B. P., $25; C. D., $10; Mrs. L., $5; Sis. of St. Francis, Conn., $5; C. W., $5; A. C., $10; M. V. H., $5; Miss F. McB., $1; Mrs. N. C., $1; Mrs. M. C., $1; A. M. H., $5; Miss M. J. C., $5.15; K. H., $10; A. McC., $1; Miss M. B. H., $5; Mrs. E. J. D., $5; T. B., $150; Mrs. I. C., $10; Mrs. R. E. S., $4; M. P. M., $15; B. H., $5; Mrs. J. L., $1; Mrs. M. A. L., $1; Mrs. J. T. B., $1; Mrs. E. M., $1; Mrs. A. R., $1; M. R., $1; Mrs. R. R. J., $1; Mrs. P. A. W., $5; Anon., $5; A. K., $5. Total to September 27th, 1928, $1,620.65.

## WORK FOR ONE OF THE 175 PRIZES

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Already a number have joined the campaign. It is time to make a big start. Only when the 50,000 new subscriptions have been received will the prizes be distributed. There will be 175 of them, so everyone stands a chance. The winning of a prize will not detract from the merit of your interest in the object of this campaign. To aid Catholic Missionaries and help bring back the "other sheep" will be to you a great satisfaction even though you fail to get a prize. But work to win one; it is work that does it.

# What Will the Harvest Be?

AT THE TIME OF GOING TO PRESS THE RETURNS FROM THE AFTERMATH APPEAL HAD BEEN COMING IN ONLY A FEW DAYS. THE TOTAL RECEIPTS ON SEPTEMBER 22ND AMOUNTED TO $2,138.80.

WE STAKED THE SUCCESS OF THE AFTERMATH COLLECTION THIS YEAR ON OUR ABILITY TO INSPIRE TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND INDIVIDUALS WITH THE CONVICTION THAT IF THEY EACH AND EVERY ONE GAVE JUST ONE DOLLAR FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD AND THE SALVATION OF SOULS THE GRAND RESULT WOULD BE A MISSIONARY COLLECTION OF TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS! *Is there a single Catholic anywhere who would refuse to give One Dollar for Missions if he was convinced by doing so that that One Dollar would be multiplied into Twenty-Five Thousand? We can scarcely believe it.* THAT WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY HAVE BEEN THE RESULT HAD WE SUCCEEDED IN PUTTING THAT THOUGHT OVER IN OUR AFTERMATH LETTER. IS IT TOO LATE NOW FOR ACTUAL ACCOMPLISHMENT? THE ANSWER LIES WITH THOSE WHO WILL READ THIS EDITORIAL AND WHO AS YET HAVE NOT RESPONDED TO THE AFTERMATH APPEAL.

# The Mass Endowment Fund

A TIMELY THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH OF ALL SOULS.

November is fast approaching, the month of the seared and yellow leaf, when all nature reminds us of death, and which our Mother, the Catholic Church, has very fittingly dedicated to the memory of the Departed, but more especially the Suffering Souls in Purgatory. Millions of Catholics, who at other times scarcely give a passing thought to their Dead, during the Month of November make generous provision for their release from Purgatory. Then it is that our priests are requested to say more Masses for Poor Souls than they are able to discharge.

The President of the *Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost* embraces the occasion to introduce to our Readers' attention the MASS ENDOWMENT FUND of the Rock-of-Peter Foundation. We do so by publishing a letter recently addressed to us which ran as follows:

*"I am enclosing my check for $200.00 payable to the order of the Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost, Inc., for a Joint Bond for my wife and myself. My wife was born February 23rd, 1857, and I was born January 6, 1862. The income is to be used after our deaths for Masses for our souls and others of our departed relatives. Next year I hope to send you more."*

This is a typical case of a man and wife approaching the end of life's journey. They desire to have the holy Sacrifice of the Mass offered for their souls as well as for their relatives IN PERPETUITY after death; they accordingly invest $200.00 in the Mass Endowment Fund of the Rock-of-Peter Foundation. This will mean that Ten Masses every year will be said for the purpose nominated in the Bond. We do not doubt that thousands of the Readers of THE LAMP will be glad of an opportunity to make a similar provision for their souls after death. As our Readers know Mass Intentions are the mainstay and support of our Missionaries in foreign lands and those who contribute to the Mass Endowment Fund of the *Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost* are not only making wise provision for their own souls but they are at the same time aiding the Missionaries.

A DIRECT GIFT to the *Missionary Endowment Fund* becomes *immediately* operative.

As much as Five Thousand Dollars has been given for Perpetual Masses to be said for the deceased members of a Single Family.

For further particulars address:

ROCK-OF-PETER FOUNDATION,
Graymoor, Garrison, N. Y.

# Father Coenen's Fight With Wild Beasts Who Go About Seeking Whom They May Devour

*Needless to say that my heart leaped with joy when so soon after that most royal (loan of) $5,000 you made me again the happy recipient of $1,000 as per check No. 8404. That most generous lady and great friend of mine, to whom I had the great honor and pleasure of paying a short visit together with Msgr. J. McGlinchey on my short stay at Boston, is the same generous Benefactor, who sent me through you, if you still are able to remember it $1,000 for the erection of our big church in Mumias, my still dearly beloved mission-station of old. Sure when I went to America, I could not refrain myself of going to visit as well this great Benefactor and my grateful missionary heart was happy and pleased to meet such a generous soul.*

THE BATTLE WITH WILD BEASTS

*I have been unable to take a decent photo lately. The wild animals round about are still claiming this new mission-plot as their own and I am unable to persuade them that we are claiming it as well, although they were the first occupants. I am sure that my dear and generous readers of The Lamp would not agree to it to let me pack up again and leave this place for somewhere else. Our fight with the wild animals must be a fight to the end as well as our fight with our arch-enemy the Devil. I have no doubt that the Devil is on the war-path to assert his pretention that our dear Lord's cross should not be planted here neither His holy Church. I have been called out during the night already several times on account of an alarm given by our catechumens sleeping here that their humble abodes of sod and grass huts were bombarded with stones. Several times I rushed out with my lantern but in vain, there was nothing to be found or seen and hence I must procure a shot gun as well as a trap in order to frighten this evil spirit or evil body of whatever he is made.*

*My dear Rev. Fr. Kuhn, my assistant, has been carried off again with malaria fever, he has left me already one month and a half and although I have been down with fever twice I cannot find time to be sick.*

**Canadian Martyrs' "Cathedral" for 2,000 Christians. Does it not look an architectural beauty? Sure the Stable of Bethlehem wasn't much worse. —Father Coenen.**

*I am sending you herewith a picture of a supposed to be living leopard, lying peacefully in front of my door. We caught him in our trap and this one also is one of those undesirables who want to chase me out of the place.*

*Dear Father, you kindly write "that you are sorry that the offerings from our Readers are so small,"* ARE THEY? THEY DO NOT LOOK IT, KINDLY KEEP ON THROWING SUCH ROCKS OF $1,000 EACH AT ME AND BEFORE LONG THEY WILL HAVE KILLED THE DEVIL, THE WILD ANIMALS AND ALL EVIL SPIRITS AND GOD'S HOLY CHURCH WILL RISE SPLENDIDLY ON NANGINA, "THE CANADIAN MARTYRS" NEW MISSION STATION.

*Most gratefully and sincerely yours,*

P. COENEN.

*Mission of the Canadian Martyrs,*
*Nangina, Mjanji, P.O. Kenya Colony, B. E. Africa.*

**Father Coenen's substitute for a watch-dog**

## CONTRIBUTIONS FOR NANGINA MISSION

We are sorry to have so small a report this month of contributions towards the Nangina Mission in British East Africa. We ask our readers to read Fr. Coenen's letter and I am sure it will inspire them to send some small offering towards this most important Mission.

Previously reported: $2,381.87. Sophy Burns, N. Y., $2; James F. Burrows, Ohio, $4; John J. Zavesky, O., $5; Eleanor Bennett, Mo., $3. Grand Total, $2,395.87.

## SISTERS OF THE ATONEMENT AT SCARA SHRINE

Scara, Alberta, Canada.

Dear Reverend Mother:

I hardly know where to start and tell you about our stay at this place of pilgrimage. It has been so lovely and interesting that I have not had a chance to get lonesome for Smoky Lake. Our convent here is a two-roomed log and mud shack. We could have had a room at one of the hospitable farm houses, but it is much nicer to be by ourselves, kind as these good people are. They, however, supplied the necessary articles for light-housekeeping, and as for food—well, Mother, the best of everything on their farms and everything else besides, was ours. We have sent home already to Smoky Lake, chickens, dozens of eggs, butter, etc., and we will have quite another load to take back with us, including two live ducks with white caps and a great big goose. The priest, also, took up a collection.

Now, to tell you about our work in preparation of the ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE. The first week was taken up by Catechism classes. The children came every day from 9:00 A. M. to 4:00 P. M. Within the week we prepared the First Communion Class. The people were delighted with this beautiful ceremony, which took place last Sunday. They said, "*What a difference in the children and only for one week in charge of the Sisters.*" They have made up their minds now that they must have Sisters, oh! wouldn't we "*please stay with them!*" They would build a convent and promise to support it, and besides they said we would get religious vocations on this side of the river. This East side of the river is dotted over with Catholic churches, both Polish and far more Ruthenian. This vicinity would be a wonderful field, as we could get all the school children for miles around in our Catechism Centres. Take this mission church of Scara for example, they have Mass here but once a month, and then the priest must rush off somewhere else after Mass, so there is not much time for the teaching of Catechism, and the children just grow up without proper instruction in their faith.

**Our Sisters at the Scara Shrine in Alberta.**

Last week we had an average attendance of sixty children every day. One day we gave to another mission ten miles from Scara; it was our first visit there and over seventy children attended Catechism. There would be a large Communion class there, but no Sisters to attend to them. The good Father says he doesn't know what to do, for he has *over twelve missions*, even being pastor of a large Polish church at Edmonton. When we get a house in Edmonton he would like us to help him there. As I said before, this is only the Polish side of the problem, there are far more Ruthenian churches here. If we could be stationed at Scara we could, as I said, get the children in our Catechism Centres. Of course, a Catholic school would be a wonderful thing, but as teaching Sisters cannot go in for missionary work, it would not benefit the countryside very much, only the place where the school is.

These good people have not only labored for material things in this world, they have been generous with God and they deserve to have Sisters in their midst. This church at Scara and the other one ten miles away, have beautiful interiors, according to the Polish style and taste; there is nothing wanting on their altars.

HOW OUR LADY'S SHRINE AT SCARA CAME TO BE

This beautiful pilgrimage grotto was the work of men, women and children for miles around. This is its story: About thirty years ago a family by the name of Hiculak took up a homestead on this site, everything was a wilderness at that time. They had four sons and two daughters. One day one of the boys was thrown from a horse and killed on the spot where the grotto now stands. The poor parents then promised that they would give five acres of land to the Church if only God would send them a priest at least once a year. The other five children, who are now all married and have big families of their own, tell us how their mother prayed and prayed for a church. The Oblate Fathers of Mary labored in these parts at that time and finally a tiny church was built on the five acres. It still stands, but a large church has re-

## FORM OF BEQUEST

I give and bequeath to the Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost, Inc., of Graymoor, Garrison, N. Y., the sum of.....dollars.

Address, Graymoor, Garrison P. O., N. Y.

placed it. The church grounds are beautiful and if only a priest could be stationed here! The work was given over to a fine secular priest less than two years ago, as the Polish Oblate Father went back to Winnipeg. This same old lady whom I mentioned above, told me the other day that this would be a happy place if they could "*only have the Nuns*" with them, that "*it was the one thing lacking*, and she said she would die happy if she knew that her grandchildren and those of the other early settlers were under our care. I hope her prayers will be answered and that the Lord will send them Sisters, if not us, of some other Order.

It is getting late and I still must tell you of the Scara ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE on August 14th and 15th. It is now over and was, indeed, a wonderful success, Deo Gratias! It was, of course, hard work and we were very tired after, but *so happy*.

The ceremonies began with Solemn Vespers, sung at the Grotto on Tuesday evening, August 14th. Then followed sermons in Polish and English, followed by the "Candle Procession" over the top of the grotto. (You can notice in the picture, the walk leading up.) The latter was the most beautiful sight I ever witnessed, thousands of people walking with lighted candles and singing the Lourdes Hymn in Polish—"Ave, Ave Maria" ("Zdrowas, Zdrowas, Maria")—I'll never forget it. The procession then led to the church, where we had Solemn Benediction and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament all night. After Benediction the people placed their lighted candles over the stones of the grotto—another beautiful sight. It was a perfect evening and it looked like Broadway with all the cars parked around. Scara is not even a town, but is only fifty miles from Edmonton, so there were many people out from that city.

The next morning Masses began at 6:30 in the church, but much to our disappointment, it started to rain, the heavens were all overcast and it looked as if it would keep up. How everyone prayed, some of the priests said we couldn't have the Solemn High Mass at the Grotto. At 9:30 it was raining harder than ever, yet the pastor gave us orders to have everything prepared at the outdoor altar for Mass, he said, "*We'll go out in the rain, even if the new vestments will be ruined.*" "*Surely, our Blessed Mother will hear our prayers,*" we answered—and Mother, *She did!* The sixth Mass in church was ended and lo! the sky began to clear. By the time the 11:00 o'clock Mass started at the Shrine, even the grass was dry, the sun shone brightly and everyone was saying a fervent *Deo Gratias!* Despite all the early rain there was a larger crowd than last year. Monsignor McGuigan, the Vicar General, was Celebrant of the Mass, Doctor Nelligan, Deacon and Father Rooney, Subdeacon.

We had a lovely choir of about a dozen young girls singing the Mass of the Angels; it was learned by the girls during our stay here. They came to practice for two hours every evening for a week, and some had to walk a good many miles to do so; they were very much in earnest and we had sung the Mass on the Sunday before the first time, which gave them confidence for the day of the Pilgrimage.

We decorated the altars for the pilgrimage and, of course, the people never saw anything like it, they said. They brought us plenty of flowers, and the main altar looked lovely dressed in pink and white flowers. At this Mass also there were sermons in Polish and English. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament followed the Mass and again there was a procession with the Blessed Sacrament back to the church. The *Te Deum* was sung in Polish and everything was over. The people went happily to their homes. I wonder if we will have anything like it in Smoky Lake in years to come. I believe so.

We are going back home tomorrow and everyone regrets our departure, especially the children. It was hard for them to bid us good-bye after Catechism today. The people came to Father expressing their thanks and begging him to ask the Sisters to stay with them.

I must stop now, with love to dear Mother and all the Sisters,

Your loving daughter in the Atonement,
Sister Bonaventure, S.A.

## HEAVY LOSS TO CHURCH IN ATLANTIC HURRICANE

The latest statistics on the West Indies hurricane at the time of going to press, as given in the papers, was

| | Dead | Homeless | Damage |
|---|---|---|---|
| Florida ..... | 2,000 | 15,000 | $30,000,000 |
| Porto Rico ..... | 1,000 | 700,000 | 100,000,000 |
| Guadeloupe ..... | 660 | 150,000 | Unknown |
| Leeward Islands .... | 44 | ..... | ..... |
| Virgin Islands ..... | 6 | 3,000 | 2,000,000 |
| Total ..... | 3,710 | 868,000 | $132,000,000 |

The Administrative Committee of the National Catholic Welfare Conference on September 18, received, at N. C. W. C. Headquarters, two cablegrams from Porto Rico telling of widespread damage to Catholic church properties in the terrific hurricane which visited Porto Rico and other islands in its area.

A cablegram from the Rt. Rev. Edwin V. Byrne, Bishop of Ponce, Porto Rico, says:

"Cyclone devastated island, wrecking church properties. Losses heavy, Diocese in great need."

The second cablegram is from the Very Rev. Joseph E. Murphy, C.S.S.R., Vice-Provincial of the Redemptorist Fathers, who have charge of a large number of Catholic churches and chapels in Porto Rico and care for all the parishes of the Virgin Islands, which also were badly hit by the hurricane. Father Murphy cabled:

"Eleven Redemptorist chapels destroyed. Many parishioners without homes."

Father Murphy is stationed in San Juan, Porto Rico, and it is doubtful if his cablegram covered damages in the Virgin Islands. As for Porto Rico, it probably covered only the churches and chapels of his own Order.

These meager reports constitute virtually all the information that has reached this country thus far dealing directly with damage to Catholic church property in the islands struck by the hurricane. Communications have been so chaotic that numerous queries sent to the islands on this subject have thus far elicited no further answers.

However, virtually all of the island area struck by the visitation is preponderantly—in some cases almost wholly—populated by Catholics, and dotted with Catholic churches, chapels and other institutions. Reports on the general havoc wrought lead to the inevitable conclusion here that there have been tremendous property losses to the Church.

## CONDENSED APPEALS FROM THE MISSIONARIES

**Rt. Rev. James Kalacherry, Bishop of Changanacherry, Travancore, South India, writes:** "Your Reverence is aware, I believe, from the previous appeals of Rev. Fr. J. Kandathiparampil of the distressed condition of the Sisters of the Order of Perpetual Adoration, founded here by my saintly predecessor, Dr. T. Kurialacherry. At present there are nine houses of this order having about 200 members. Besides a number of Elementary schools and orphanages they are conducting an English High School for girls and a Training School for women teachers. Being of a recent origin their financial condition is exceedingly poor. His Lordship, the late Dr. Kurialacherry was maintaining their convents and other institutions by his private income. His unexpected death was a great blow to this order. In four places the Sisters have not decent houses to live in. Only in one convent they have a proper chapel to conduct the perpetual adoration, the primary aim of the Order. Worst of all is that the order is in a heavy debt. Their resources do not suffice for the bare necessities of the Sisters. In a word their condition is very pitiable. Any help rendered to these Sisters through them will be considered as done to me and I trust you will not fail to assist them liberally. In return I assure you that grateful prayers and good works will be offered for your intentions."

**Reverend Mother Magdaline, Sacred Heart Convent, East Chalakudy, Cochin State, South India,** writes us: "We badly need a monstrance, in fact, we cannot have Exposition in our little convent unless someone charitably gives us the money for one. We can get one for $40.00. We also need a white and green chasuble set."

**Reverend George Thekkekara, Bishop's House, Trichur, South India,** tells of his need for the completion of a little church: "We have completed half of the little church for our pagans, thirty miles away from Trichur. Our people are very poor on account of the failure of crops and floods. In my extreme need I beg you to help me complete the church in honor of St. Joseph, for whom it is named."

**Reverend P. M. Gueguen, O.M.I., St. Mary's Church, Laurie's Road, Bambalapitiya, Colombo, Ceylon,** has started a circulating library for his Christians, he says: "We would be so thankful if you will help me to supply the free library which we have just started, with Catholic books. As we are in the center of Colombo, such a propaganda is bound to do much good. It would, also, be a charity to send small offerings of postage on the books we lend. Will you help us?"

**Sister M. Pierre, St. Joseph's Latin Convent, High Road, Trichur, South India,** begs for rice for her orphans, she writes: "We had an appeal in the January Lamp, but no alms came at all. Won't you send us a little offering to help us pay for the rice for our orphans? One of our little ones died a few days ago. We, also, need greatly a boundary wall, our low fence of leaves got eaten by the white ants. Stray cows and goats enter and eat up our vegetables and fruits."

**Reverend Fr. John Mary, O.C.D., Punalur, Travancore, India,** writes: "I need very much a few books on theology for my library, in fact, for our practical work now. One of our Fathers was received into the Church from the Jacobite system recently, and he desired greatly to do some more reading of Catholic authorities. We can get the books that we need the most for $50.00. Will you help us?"

**Rev. Joseph M. Ouang, Catholic Mission, Kinhwafu, Chekiang, China,** begs for $30.00 to restore his school which has just been destroyed, and he is in great sorrow and anxiety in consequence. He asks that all offerings be sent by registered mail.

**Mother Archangela, St. Clare's Convent, Trichur, Cochin State, South India,** asks for chapel furnishings. They are in need of everything, linens, vestments. They are too poor to provide them.

## A CRY THAT NEEDS IMMEDIATE ATTENTION

Catholic Mission,
Tehhsien, Chenhodiangkia,
Chantung, China

Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost,
Graymoor,
P. O. Garrison, N. Y.

I am in great need! A poor missionary of the District of Techow, and most poor. At present I am sick. I have no body to help me, and have no money to buy the necessities. Has your Union-That Nothing-Be-Lost no help for me?

Sincerely yours in Christ,
(Reverend) Ceslaus Bodefeld, O.F.M.

*(We will gladly forward alms to this poor Franciscan Father.* Editor of THE LAMP.)

## A SMALL CHAPEL IN A DISTANT PLACE MAY WIN THE PRAYERS OF A NEW SAINT

Very Rev. and Dear Father Minister:

The next step that I have to take in Las Pinas Mission is the building of a small chapel in a distant place. In the main, church people there cannot attend Mass on Sundays and Holy days regularly and I have to go and find them in their own nest; most of them are farmers.

Strange to say, one of my holy predecessors, (at the time of his death a Bishop in South America) had the intention of building a chapel in that place. This holy man was here forty years ago and his cause of beatification is now being introduced at Rome.

The chapel will cost about $800. May the holy Bishop inspire some good people to carry out his project.

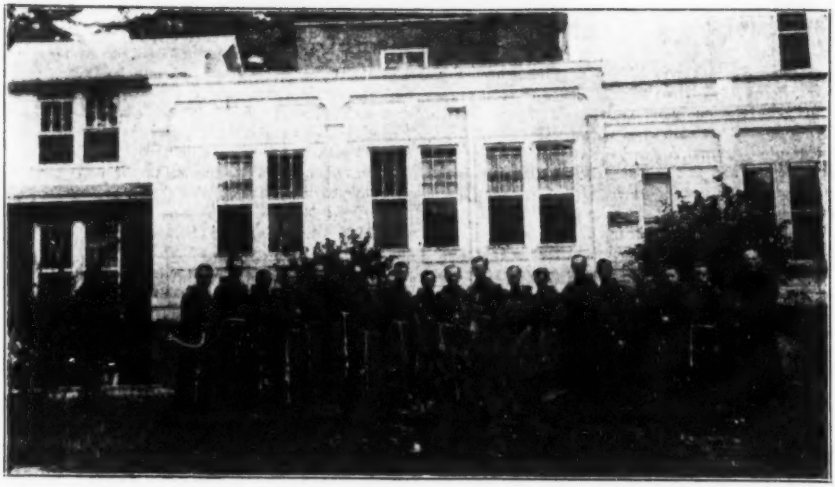
Very gratefully and respectfully,
Las Pinas, Rizal, P. I. Paul Hubaux.

## A THANKSGIVING

"I am just returning from my visit to a poor stricken district, and I find your offering on my return. How helpless I am in my work without the help and generosity of friends in America! May God enlighten and enable them to help me." Fr. John Jeno, Sacred Heart's Carmelite Monastery, Thevaray, Ernakulam, South India.

## CHALICE AND CIBORIUM NEEDED

We have received word from a little band of exiled Mexican Sisters in Texas, saying they are greatly in need of a chalice and a ciborium. Who will send us one for them? Or we will send their address to any prospective benefactor. A ciborium or chalice can be gotten for from $40.00 up. Sisters of the Atonement, Graymoor, P. O. Garrison, N. Y.



**A Line of Friar Clerics at The Vineyard in Washington**

## Most Important for Every Lamp Subscriber to Read What Follows:

All Lamp Subscribers (except those who returned them last year) will be receiving in a few days a box of our specially designed Christmas Cards for 1928. These Cards, as heretofore, will be reproductions of the Masterpieces of Sacred Art relating to the Birth of Christ. *No one will be a reprint of any previously presented Christmas Greeting Card.* The Execution, insofar as that is possible, will be better even than last year. Those who accept these cards which are undoubtedly *among the handsomest produced in America* (and the use of Christmas Greeting Cards was never more popular than now) will be aiding a very worthy cause, *viz*: The Maintenance of The Holy Ghost Seminary of The Friars of the Atonement at the Catholic University, or, as we commonly call it, The Vineyard.

This year there will be Twenty-Five Friars to support and educate at the Seminary plus the erection of a large Addition to the Seminary made necessary by the annual increase of student-clerics at a cost of $40,000. The Sale of Christmas Cards is the only means we have of supporting the Seminary and assuring its enlargement. It must be obvious to all, therefore, what an Important Charity this is and how by taking the cards you not only provide yourself with beautiful Christmas Card gifts but also help the Franciscan Friars of the Atonement to maintain the Vineyard where the future Priests of our Institute are being educated.

*We are positively sure that God will bless all the members of our Lamp Army who make whatever sacrifices are necessary to accept these cards and send one dollar in exchange.*

We have tried as far as it was possible to avoid sending the Cards to those who returned them last year, assuming that if they sent them back in 1927 they would not want them in 1928. Should any, however, receive them that had no use for them a year ago we ask them to pardon us since our sending them was an oversight.

### Duplicate Boxes

There will also be some, we fear, who will receive more than one box. This will be the unfortunate result of duplications of addresses on our mailing list. *We ask that these duplicate boxes be returned to us with notification to destroy the duplicate stencils so the same thing will not occur in the future.*

### A Very Particular Request

We ask everyone who does not intend to use the Cards at Christmas to send them back at once. *Advise us by post-card and we will gladly supply the postage necessary for the return of box.* If the Cards are returned promptly *we will still have a chance to send them to others who may be glad to accept and use them.*

Last year some of our Benefactors took orders among their neighbors and thereby sold for us a large number of boxes. This was a great help and we will be grateful to all who aid The Vineyard this year in the same way. Many sent more than $1.00, thus making an additional contribution toward the support of The Vineyard. It goes without saying that we will be deeply grateful to all who thus aid us.

## "YES" OR "NO"?

EDITOR'S FOREWORD: *The article which follows is clipped from the "Medical Missionary," the ably-edited and well printed eight page monthly of the Society of Catholic Medical Missionaries, whose Mother House is established at Brookland, D. C., not far from "The Vineyard". The Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost has always taken a lively interest in the American Catholic Medical Missionary movement, in fact we helped quite materially the first Catholic woman doctor, Dr. Lamont, who pioneered in China from America. We rejoiced greatly in the foundation of this first Religious Society of Catholic women with medical training for the Mission Field and we are glad to voice their appeal for volunteers through the columns of* THE LAMP *as follows:*

On September 30th, our Society will be three years old. Whilst the shoots of the tiny seed planted three years ago are barely peeping through the ground yet, we must thankfully acknowledge that God's Providence has been very good to us and supplied us with all the needful. The Fathers of the Holy Cross Foreign Mission Seminary, under whose spiritual direction our Society is placed, have provided the necessary instruction and also helped us in many other ways. Our neighbors, the Franciscan Fathers from the Monastery, untiringly come every morning to say Mass in our chapel. Our Benefactors have generously and cheerfully provided the wherewithal to continue and expand our work, and last but not least, we have received encouraging letters from missionaries containing sincere wishes for the growth of our Society and asking us to send Medical Missionaries soon.

Up to the present we have received five requests to start Medical Missionary work. These were from India, Africa and the latest from Northern China, which would melt even the hardest heart. The following is a copy of the letter from the Chinese Bishop:

Prefecture Apostolic, Lyhsien (Hopeh),
Kaochiachoang, Catholic Mission.

We are very grateful for the number of the *Medical Missionary* you kindly sent us. YOUR WORK IS SIMPLY SPLENDID. Here also unspeakable good could be done, countless souls saved by the medical Apostolate of your Sisters. But we are a very, very poor native Mission. (I was consecrated last year by His Holiness Pope Pius XI's own hands.) It is impossible for us to dream of the foundation of a hospital . . . However would your dear Sisters come to North China only for the medical Apostolate, opening an humble Dispensary (for the beginning) in our town, training native nurses, especially some of our Chinese Sisters, the Sisters of the "Little Flower," and then going from village to village, from home to home,bringing medical aid and doing also obstetrical work?

Of course, it would be hard work. Here, the winter is cold enough and the summer very hot. Journeys are not at all comfortable, and the people are poor and dirty. But, oh Doctor! what a lot of good could be done! Really, it is unspeakable.

Could THAT be planned? HOW? WHEN? A word of encouragement would be met with utmost consolation by

Yours faithfully in Xto,

✠ MGR. SOUEN, I.M.,

## MONTHLY NOVENA TO THE HOLY GHOST INAUGURATED THIS MONTH AT "THE VINEYARD"

We announce to the readers of THE LAMP that a Special Novena to the Holy Ghost was inaugurated this month at the Atonement Seminary of the Holy Ghost, Harewood Road, Brookland, Washington, D.C. It began on Sunday, October 7th, "the Covenant Day" of the Society of the Atonement and ended on the 15th Instant. This Novena will be repeated every month, always beginning on the 7th day of the month and ending on the 15th.

Readers are invited to send their petitions to the

FATHER RECTOR, S. A.,
Atonement Seminary of the Holy Ghost,
"The Vineyard," Brookland, D. C.

**Do not overlook "Mass Endowment Fund" on page 299. It contains a special November message for you and the souls of your dear departed.**

# Will Our Little Flower Workers of a Year Ago Re-enlist

The Little Flower

Thousands of our Lamp Readers who helped in the Campaign of last year to erect The Little Flower Memorial will be receiving a letter and booklet from the Editor asking them to enlist in the NEW CAMPAIGN similar to the one that was so successful last year. The object of this latest drive is to clear off the balance of the debt resting on the Memorial, as it now stands, and prepare for the erection of the THIRD SECTION of the Little Flower Building, which the rapid increase of students in our Preparatory Seminary at Graymoor makes necessary to complete before our House of Studies opens again one year hence.

As many as Five Thousand Members of our Lamp Army last year took the books we issued and enlisted the help of many friends, with the result that about $40,000 was raised. What an immense help in erecting the Third Section of the Little Flower Building, if as many volunteers can be found to do the same thing again.

## AUGUST CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE LITTLE FLOWER MEMORIAL

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|---|---|
| **Previously Reported** | **$106,345.38** |
| **Received from 329 Donors** | **1 962.74** |
| Grand Total | $108,308.12 |

## HAVE RECOURSE TO ST. THERESE IN THE OCTOBER NOVENA

You are invited to send your petitions to be prayed for during the October Novena. It will begin on Monday the 22nd instant and it ends Tuesday, October the 30th. SEND FOR THE SOUVENIR PICTURE OF THE LITTLE FLOWER.

We promised last year to present a miniature copy of the portrait of St. Theresa painted by her Sister Celine in a frame of floriated bronze such as could be placed upon a table or mantel-piece or private altar to all who contributed to the Little Flower Memorial. About ten thousand of these pictures have already been distributed but we are satisfied that there are thousands of other contributors who did not receive the picture because we could not keep proper tab on them all. We would be most happy to mail one of these souvenir pictures to every past and future contributor to the Little Flower Memorial PROVIDED they will make the request, which is really necessary to avoid duplications.

**Get one new subscriber for The Lamp.**

## GRATEFUL CLIENTS TESTIFY TO FAVORS GRANTED THRU THE INTERCESSION OF THE LITTLE FLOWER

M. A. D., Denver, Colo.: *"Enclosed you will find my check in thanksgiving for my brother's recovery to health after a serious operation. The doctors had no hope at all. We had recourse to the Sacred Heart of Jesus thru the intercession of the Little Flower asking for the physical and spiritual graces my brother would need to spend the rest of his life in serving God most faithfully out of gratitude for his recovery."*

R. R. Logan, Ohio: *"I am writing for my uncle who wishes to extend sincere thanks to the Little Flower for success in business. Enclosed you will find an offering. The Little Flower has granted us many favors in the past and we have great confidence in her intercession."*

V. W. T., New York City: *"Enclosed you will find money order to the Little Flower Shrine for a favor received thru her intercession on the day it was asked. My daughter had trouble at her office. It looked like she would lose her position. I prayed to the Little Flower and she was transferred*

**HELP COMPLETE THE LITTLE FLOWER MEMORIAL**

*to another department in the same building that day. Please publish that others will have recourse to the Little Flower."*

N. C., Detroit, Mich.: *"Enclosed is my check for $50.00 to be used in helping build the new Graymoor Memorial to the Little Flower. It was promised to this cause upon condition of my being successful in a business enterprise which was almost immediately accomplished."*

J. J. L., Brooklyn: *"I prayed to the Little Flower that I would be given a sign of red roses if my Novena would be successful. Within a few hours I received two red rose petals. I also made another Novena and the favor has been granted. I promised the enclosed contribution toward the Shrine of the Little Flower in thanksgiving."*

A. D., Watkins Glen, N. Y.: *"I have been praying for a favor for some time. I began to think it was not pleasing to Our Blessed Lord so I asked the Little Flower to send me red roses if my request was pleasing to Him and white roses if not. The third day of my Novena I was in a flower garden, but when I entered the garden I did not think of roses and did not see any. I missed my friend for a while and when I found her she was picking red roses and said to me "take those." Imagine my thoughts! the next morning I offered my Communion in thanksgiving for the red roses."*

## THE LITTLE FLOWER GIVEN A PROPER MASS

The Holy Father has accorded to St. Teresa of the Infant Jesus the extraordinary honor of a Proper Mass, because she has already received the greater honor of being entitled Patron of Foreign Missions. The great St. Francis Xavier earned this title by stupendous toils, hardships, conquests. It has been given to the Little Flower, in response to the earnest request of the foreign missionaries of the whole world, because she has done so much for the missions by her prayers and penances in Carmel and her powerful patronage in Heaven. To be named patron of a great work in the Church is a rare honor. St. Joseph himself heads the list as patron of the Universal Church. St. Michael the Archangel is patron of souls called to judgment. St. Thomas Aquinas is patron of Christian schools. The brief roll includes the most august personages of the Kingdom of God. It is really startling to find our Sister, who died only the other day, elevated to sit on one of the thrones of these Cardinals of Heaven.

Our wonder brings forward anew the well-known fact that no service earns such prompt and lavish reward as mission service. The ardent thirst of the Sacred Heart for souls fixes his longing gaze on the far fields white for harvest where laborers are few. No matter how little we do to help in these fields, he instantly sees it, and instantly rewards it, with magnificent generosity.

His bounty to the Little Flower encourages us to count on the manifold precious, smaller rewards we may hope to obtain for our humbler services. Such calculations are encouraged by many sayings of our Divine Lord. He is quite favorable to our profiteering the treasures of eternity.—*The Missionary.*

Beginning on All Soul's Day a set of Thirty Masses will be celebrated in the Little Flower Oratory on the Mount of the Atonement for the repose of the Souls of our Deceased Benefactors and *of all whose names*

## GRAYMOOR'S NOVEMBER MASSES FOR THE DEAD

*are sent to us to be placed in a large urn beneath the altar.* We invite all Readers of THE LAMP and all friends of the institute to send us the names of their dead that they may share in these Masses and in the suffrages of both the Friars and Sisters of the Atonement at Graymoor. I take this occasion to remind all our LAMP Subscribers that if any relatives have died in the past year and they have not already sent their names for publication in our Requiem Mass List there is still time to forward them so that they may participate in the Thirty Masses said for the repose of deceased members of our LAMP Army or deceased relatives of living members.

## NON-CATHOLICS IN ENGLAND ASK TO JOIN THIRD ORDER OF ST. FRANCIS

*"The Universe" Special Correspondent*

Oxford—Non-Catholics who attended the summer School of Franciscan studies in Oxford this summer expressed a wish to belong to a Third Order while still remaining non-Catholics.

Requests for information on this point came after a series of lectures by Fr. Oswald, O.S.F.C., which were followed by special classes for students who desired to learn more about the actual rule of the Third Order and its spirit. Could there be a Third Order outside the Church of Rome? they asked.

It was explained to them that in the strict sense it was impossible, since all the Franciscan Orders, First, Second and Third, owed their very existence to the Holy See; that one was dependent on the other, and hence it was impossible to start a Third Order for persons not in communion with Rome.

On the other hand, the enquirers were informed that there is nothing to prevent their taking the rule of the Tertiaries and trying to live according to its spirit so far as they are able.

# Papal Encyclical Seeks Return of Eastern Churches

PROGRESS THROUGH EFFORTS OF NEAR EAST WELFARE ASSOCIATION NOTED

Pope Pius XI issued an Encyclical on September 13th., urging all Bishops of the Catholic Church to forward by every means in their power the work of bringing back to the Catholic fold the Christians who adhere to the Greek, Syrian and other Churches of the Near East.

This, the third encyclical of the year, entitled "*Rerum Orientalium*," paralleled in theme the first one, which was devoted also to Christian Unity under the paternal direction of the Vatican.

The Pontiff suggested that the Catholic Near East Welfare Association had been responsible for much of the progress in that section of the world. Much Catholic support had been given to the movement in various countries and the Holy Father especially referred to the generosity of a "pious gentleman of the United States of America for whom we desire and ask the highest recompense of celestial awards."

The Encyclical brought out that the chief contributions for the Near East Welfare Association, of which the Jesuit, Father Edmund A. Walsh, is President, had come from the United States.

While the first Encyclical of the year was directed to all non-Catholic Christians, notably those Anglicans who were thought by some to be veering toward a union with Rome, this new papal plea is especially directed toward the communicants of the Oriental Churches which are schismatic. Many popes have worked ardently for centuries for the reincorporation of those Eastern Churches in the body of the Catholic Church.

The Pontiff praised the work already accomplished in this direction and rejoiced that there was a large force of clergy especially well equipped to deal now with the problem of the Oriental studies already functioning at Paris, Louvain and Lille.

The Encyclical said that all these efforts "will serve to enlighten the dissidents and make them see how much the Catholic Church appreciates, conserves and defends true orthodoxy. It will make prejudices disappear and conduct the "other sheep" to the one flock of Christ under the one Shepherd."

In one section of the Encyclical the Pope called upon the dissidents to consider carefully the advantages which Christianity in the Orient had received from the Roman Church. He mentioned especially the Franciscan and Dominican Missionaries and he praised his predecessor, Benedict XV, for the institution of the Congregation for Oriental Rites and Affairs. Particular praise was given also for the results obtained by the Jesuits, to whom has been particularly entrusted the problem of reuniting the Eastern Churches with Rome.

**His Holiness Pope Pius XI**

Reunion of the Near East churches with Rome has been one of the most cherished objects of Pope Pius ever since he ascended the papal throne in 1922. He has actively aided the work of the Catholic Near East Welfare Association, especially its gifts to sufferers from famine, epidemics and earthquakes. Cots in hospitals bear the inscription "Endowed by the Holy Father," and every effort has been made to have tangible and generous charity coincide with the work of missionaries.

One branch of the activities of the Near East Association has been the caring for Russian refugees, finding them work and providing education for their more promising youth. This has been done without distinction of creed, and the Encyclical emphasized the significance of this whole movement.

# What is the Holy Childhood Association?

The Holy Childhood Association (of which the U. N. B. L. has a Branch) is a world-wide Society of Catholic children, whose object is the ransom, education and support of pagan children everywhere.

Dues for each member are twelve cents a year.

Infants and children of all ages are eligible, both living and dead.

Benefits of membership are many Masses, prayers and indulgences.

Send offerings and applications for membership to the Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost, Graymoor, Garrison, N. Y., or to Mrs. Helen Fletcher, Mena, Ark.

## AUNT HELEN'S LETTER

*Dear Members and Friends of the Holy Childhood:*

*How many of our readers, we wonder, are interested in curios or have a stamp or coin collection? Perhaps you are thinking what things such as these can have to do with the ransom of pagan babies? Whether they will have anything to do or not, will all depend upon what interest you manifest in the subject. You see, it is like this.*

*Father Eusebius, C.D., of St. Sebastian's Monastery, Pulincunnoo, Alleppey, Travancore, South India, has sent Aunt Helen a number of interesting articles, which she hopes to be able to dispose of to Holy Childhood friends and gladden the heart of this good Missionary by sending him the proceeds as soon as possible. Here is a list of the articles:*

*One grass rug, 62x34, evidently hand woven. It is very smooth and light in weight and has a design representing ducks swimming, stamped on one side. The head and beak of a "rare native bird" which measures over all, fifteen and one half inches. (This must have been some bird, you will admit.) There are three tanned animal skins, two of native squirrels, which are light and dark brown in color and much larger than the squirrels in our country. The third skin is black and though the animal was not more than 26 inches in length, the tail measures 39 inches. Three grass purses of different sizes. Old silver coins worth about one cent, two cents, four cents,—new silver coins, four cents, seven cents; copper coins, one sixteenth of a cent, one quarter cent, one half cent and one cent. Also cancelled stamps of India, of all denominations, and a number of "ever red seeds." These are bright scarlet with a black spot and a very hard spot.*

*Though we do not know the value of these articles, we shall be glad to accept any reasonable offer. So please write soon and your offering will be sent to Father Eusebius promptly. Also the article you select will be mailed to your address at once.*

*Don't forget the year is drawing to its close and we are still far short of our "One Thousand Babies Ransomed in 1928." We must pray very hard this month to Our Glorious Queen of the Holy Rosary, to help us reach our goal. Every class at school should have a mite box to save for a Christmas baby. The Sisters of the Atonement, Graymoor, Garrison, N. Y. will send you one. So hoping the H. C. A. members who are at school are making fine progress in their classes and also doing all they can to encourage interest in the ransom of pagan babies, we are, as always,*

*Your friend,*

AUNT HELEN.

## MANY CHINESE BABIES PURCHASED DURING AUGUST

It is quite a long list published below of Chinese babies purchased since the last report. This is a noble charity and we are glad to have it prove itself so popular among the Readers of THE LAMP:

**August Contribution for Purchase and Support of Chinese Babies**

Previously Reported: $3,174.25. Miss Marie A. Kelly, O., to buy Ann Marie, $5; Mrs Albert Schmozer, Ia., to buy George Albert and Anna Mary, $10; Mrs. Harry Scheible, Ind., to buy and support a baby, $6; Mrs. Anna Becker, Mo., to buy Antoinette Theresa, $5; Mrs. Fred Staley, Can., to buy Mary Theresa, $5; Mrs. V. Herman, N. Y., to buy Valentine Francis, $5; Mrs. John P. Hicks, Mich., to buy Mary Theresa, $5; Mrs. Julia H. Carroll, Mass., to buy Celia and Richart, $10; Agnes Anderg, Minn., to buy Mary A., $5; Mrs. McCarthy, Mo., to buy Felix Anthony, $5; Mary Kaufmann, New Mex., to buy Mary Ann, $5; Nora Warren, S. I., to buy Mary Therese and Jude Anthony, $10; Delia Flaherty, Mass., to buy Anne, $5; Mrs Ben Santore, N. Y., to buy Mary Theresa, $5; Mrs. C. I. Gurnett, Mass., to buy Anthony Francis and Mary Teresa Rita, $10; Vincent Kuon, Mich., to buy Mary Theresa Veronica, $5; M. H., Wis., to buy Mary Theresa, $5; Mrs Don Leggett, N. Y., to buy William Anthony, $5; Miss Grace Carney, Kansas, for support of babies, $4; Miss Lydia H O'Brien, N. Y., to buy Lucius Joseph, $5; Mrs. Eleanor I Kearney, Cal., to buy Glenn, Katherine G., and Eleanor B., $15; Mrs. T. W. Byrnes, N. J., to buy Cecilia, Robert Joseph, Ada Louise and Patricia, $25; Marie Marriott, Minn., to buy Anthony William, $5; Mrs. Catherine C Thompson, L. I., to buy Thomas Francis and Anna Catherine, $10; Mrs. Dennis Weaver, N. Y., toward purchase of a baby, 50c; Miss Anna Meyer, Ia., to buy Anna Martha, $5; Miss Minnie Tooher, Can., to buy Joseph Anthony, $5; Miss Marie Merri, N. Y., to buy Margaret Mary, $5; Mrs B. Regan, N. Y., to buy a baby, $5; Mrs. Thos. Browning, R. I., to buy Mary, $5; Anonymous, to buy two babies, $10; Alice M. Donnelly, L. I., to buy Peter Joseph, $5; Thomas Slawson, N. Y., to buy Joseph Augustine, $5; Victoria Beranek, Wis., to buy Theresa, $5; Srs. of the Atonement, Graymoor, to buy Anna Marie, Clementina,

Mary Joseph and Consolata, $20; Catechism Class, St. John Baptist Church, to buy Helen, $5; Angela Doman, Kan., to buy Mary, Mary, and Anthony, $15; Anon., Col., to buy Charles Isidore and Frances Winifred, $10; Mrs. Lee R. Hurlburt, N. Y., to buy Dolores, $5; Miss Mary Arkle, W. Va., to buy Mary Joseph, $5; Mary E. Crosby, Mich., to support Mary Catherine and Anthony Peter, $25; Miss Catherine Fitzerald, Ohio, to buy Margaret, $5; Miss Anna M. Dineen, L. I., to buy Mary, $5; Miss Elizabeth Kilduff, R. I., to buy Anna Marie, $5; Margaret Murray, Can., to buy Frances and James Ignatius, $10; Miss Bertha Merkel, Mich., to buy Anne Thesere, $5; Mrs. C. J. Saenger, Ark., to buy a baby, $5; Florence Sherlock, R. I., to buy Dorothy Rose, $5; Agnes Shea, Ill., to buy a baby, $5; T. E. Coleman, Mass., to buy Teresa Anne, $5; Ella Keely, Mo., for support of Francis, $2; Henrietta B. M. Gangloff, Ind., to buy Jude Anthony Joseph and Mary Theresita, $10; Cecile A. Jennings, Conn., to buy Mary Cecile, $5; Mrs. A. Robertson, Cal., to buy Mary Therese, $5; Mrs. J. Minnegatti, Col., to buy Jude John, $5; Mrs. Rose Nelson, Col., to buy John Jude, $5; Thomas Slawson, N. Y., to support John Augustine, $1; Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Brownell, N. Y., to buy two babies, $10; Sr. E., Srs. of Atone, Graymoor, N. Y., to buy Mary William, $5; Ida E. Devereaus, Ia., to buy Mary Elizabeth or John Joseph, $5; Sr. Marie, S.A., Texas, to buy Mary and Eleanor, $10; Mrs. P. B. Kane, Philadelphia, Pa., to buy Teresa Jude, $5; Mrs. Martin Burke, Ill., to buy Gerard, $5; Constance Keiley, Newfoundland, to buy Mary Theresa, $5; G. P. Ritt, Minn., to buy a baby, $5; Margaret E. Gallagher, Wis., to buy Anne Joachim and Edith Bernardette, $10; Claire Houlihan, Pa., to buy Theresa Claire, $5. Total to August 31st, 1928, $3,626.75.

## LETTERS FROM PURCHASERS AND SUPPORTERS OF THE CHINESE BABIES

Mrs. M. N., Newark: *"Enclosed find money order for two Chinese babies, one a boy; call him Patrick after my husband who died a year ago. Also a girl; call her Ellen after myself. I have no children of my own. I am in very poor health and would like the Holy Childhood Association to pray for me that I may get peace of mind."*

Mary W., N. J.: *"Enclosed find check. I want to ransom a baby boy to be named Anthony. I promised St. Anthony this if a request was granted. It has been partly granted and I feel sure St. Anthony's intercession will soon have this favor fully granted."*

Betty B., Brooklyn: *"I am sending a check which I wish you to take care of as follows: I would like to buy another Chinese baby, and the balance is for subscriptions for The Lamp, which I have succeeded in getting. I am going to get many more."*

M. C., Ont.: *"Enclosed find last payment on baby Mary Elizabeth. Was pleased to see my name among the others who have donated to this worthy cause."*

E. D., New York: *"Please find enclosed money to rescue a Chinese baby. I would like to name her Mary in honor of our Blessed Mother. Have been praying for a vacant apartment to rent that had been vacant a year and thanks to the Blessed Mother, St. Joseph and St. Anthony for the favor was granted and trust it shall keep rented."*

E. N., Denver: *"Inclosed by registered mail find five dollars for the ransom of a pagan baby.*

Mrs. A. McL., N. Y. C.: *"Enclosed please find money to buy a Chinese baby; would like to have it called Anthony, after St. Anthony and one dollar for St. Anthony's Bread. I promised him this amount for a favor."*

A. B., Alviston, Ont.: *"My two brothers and myself promised to buy a Chinese baby if we passed our examinations this year. We would like the baby called Mary Josephine B. At a future time we will send one dollar for rice."*

Martha M. S., Mass: *"Please find enclosed offering to buy a Chinese baby girl to be called Mary Teresa, in honor of the Blessed Virgin and St. Teresa."*

Mrs. L. O., California: *"Enclosed is my check for five dollars to purchase a Chinese infant. This is to fulfill a promise to Saints Anthony and Jude for renting a house that had been vacant for nine months."*

Sister C. M., Ohio: *"Enclosed find two checks, five dollars each to purchase two Chinese babies in thanksgiving to St. Anthony for two big favors. Please publish. Sight restored after specialist said nothing could be done. Call this baby Mary Anthony. Second favor success in business. Call this baby Francis Anthony. These offerings were handed me to give to St. Anthony's Bread, so send to Franciscan Fathers' Mission for babies."*

Mrs. A. A., Arizona: *"Am sending five dollars to buy a Chinese baby girl to be called Esther Mary after my dead mother and sister. I asked St. Anthony for good alfalfa seed crop and he sent it. Blessed be God in his angels and Saints."*

## WIT AND HUMOR COLUMN

Dubb—Do you believe in telepathy?

Dobb—Well, two days ago a man paid me $50 that he owed me and this morning I got a letter from my wife asking for $50.

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"Billie, did you have a good time at the party?"

"How could I have a good time? I had promised mother to behave myself."

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Irish Official—You cannot stay in this country.

Traveler—Then I'll leave it.

Official—Have you a passport?

Traveler—No.

Official—Then you cannot leave. I will give you 24 hours to decide what you will do.

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Actor—When I left my old landlady last week, she wept like a child.

Theatrical Landlady—H'm! In that case I'll have the money in advance.

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New Hired Man—What time do I have to get to work mornings?

Farmer—Oh, 'most any time, so't ain't later than half-past four.

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First Doctor—I made a lucky discovery today.

Second Doctor—Is that so? What was it?

First Doctor—I discovered a patient that has never been operated on for anything.

## THE RT. REV. DAME SCHOLASTICA MARY EWART, O.S.B.

*Foundress and First Abbess of Talacre*

By A. H. Bennett

(In Three Parts)

### PART II.

The Abbess' health was failing. Her heart, never strong, was now seriously affected but though she had to spend much time on her couch and suffered from the physical depression that so often accompanies heart trouble, she faced her anxieties in her usual gallant fashion, and only a few even guessed what she was going through. For herself alone it would have been easy to give up all in order to become a Catholic; but she felt responsible for her spiritual children and longed intensely to bring into the true fold all the precious souls intrusted to her care.

In January, 1912 the Catholic question was put before the nuns. They were bidden to keep silence on the subject, (except with their Abbess) to study the books on both sides which were liberally provided, and above all to pray. The anxiety of this time increased the illness of the Abbess, and a specialist whom she consulted said she had probably only six months to live; but if she would give up her work and live quite quietly, she might recover. This she refused to do, thinking it her duty to carry on, and God rewarded her generosity.

Early in 1913, a French Benedictine who was in the neighborhood, called out of curiosity. He saw the Abbess at the grille and then went to hear the nuns sing Vespers. It happened to be the Octave of St. Scholastica, and as he entered the church, they were singing "Egredere modo frater, egredere si potes." He said afterwards it sounded as though they were addressing him!

On February 18th of that year the Abbess felt the time had come to make the great decision. She summoned a Chapter of all the professed nuns, and placed various lines of action before them, making no appeal to their affections, but urging each to make the choice she felt to be right for herself. Finally she asked those who woulld follow her to stand, and all but four of the nuns rose instantly. Of the four who remained seated, two were shortly afterwards received into the Church.

It was a day of great joy for the Abbess, for she felt she would be taking nearly all her family with her. But now came the difficult time of waiting, which was spent in the usual Lenten round of prayer and work.

On Wednesday, February 26th, Dom Bede Camm, who had known the community at Peltham, arrived and encouraged the nuns; but no one knew what their future might be, and there was naturally a feeling of suspense, as they might be dispersed, or if they remained together, another Abbess might be put over them. However, their choice had been made, and they were prepared for any sacrifice that that choice entailed.

**Mother Mary Ewart, O.S.B., Foundress and first Abbess of Talacre.**

On 'Laetare' Sunday, henceforth a red-letter day in the annals of the community, Mass was sung for the first time by a Catholic Priest at St. Bride's, the celebrant being Abbot Avignon of Caermaria.

A few days after this, on March the 6th, the Bishop of Menevia arrived with Abbot Butler of Downside and Dom Bede Camm. The nuns were all questioned separately in order to be sure that no pressure was being brought to bear, but that each was following the dictates of her own conscience. At last the examination was over, and the next day the Bishop said Mass and afterwards installed the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle. During the morning, the nuns made their confessions. It had been an eventful day, and the climax came in the afternoon, when Bishop Mostyn took his seat in the sanctuary, and before him at the open grille knelt Abbess Scholastica, surrounded by her daughters.

In clear tones and with intense conviction the Abbess read the Profession of Faith for them all, her hand resting on a Missal, and with bowed heads the nuns answered Amen.

The next day, the converts received Holy Communion from Bishop Mostyn, and afterwards sang a solemn 'Te Deum.' On the 9th, the Abbot of Maredsous, Dom Columba Marmion, arrived to give the community a short retreat in preparation for their

confirmation. In order to preserve the continuity of their life during this time of transition, he enrolled them as Benedictine Oblates living in the community.

After Easter, the Abbess, who had laid aside her Abbatial cross and ring, on taking the first steps towards the Church, and was known as Mother Scholastica, went to stay with the Benedictines of Stanbrook. While staying there she visited the Abbot President of the English Congregation, Abbot—now Cardinal—Gasquet. She told him, as she had told the Abbot of Downside the day before her reception into the Church, of her great desire for the admission of her community into the venerable Congregation of Black Monks.

On May 30th, the feast of the Sacred Heart, she was formally clothed in the Benedictine Habit at Stanbrook by Bishop Mostyn, and shortly afterwards returned to St. Bride's, accompanied by the Lady Abbess and the Superioress of Stanbrook. Meanwhile, the Bishop and Abbot President had obtained permission from Rome, and on June 11 the nuns were clothed in the Habit.

At the end of the ceremony a rescript from the Holy See was read, canonically erecting St. Bride's as a Benedictine Monastery. There had to be a year of probation before the community could have their vows ratified by the Church, and during this year, at Abbot Butler's request, the Abbess of Stanbrook most generously lent her Priory, and sent another nun to take charge of the noviceship at St. Bride's.

The year passed very quietly and on Whit Sunday, May 31, 1914, Mother Scholastica was professed by Bishop Mostyn. On the following day, by a special mandate from Rome, to the great joy of the nuns, she was installed as first Abbess of the community.

On Sunday, June 14th, the Bishop received the vows of the community, and on the 16th, at a Pontifical High Mass, he gave the Abbatial Blessing to the Abbess.

But now, though the Abbess and her community were in the haven whither she had been slowly voyaging for so many years and she was at peace as regards religion, there were other difficulties to face. Belonging to the Catholic Church meant the severance of some life-long ties of friendship, of old associations, and the immediate increase of financial anxieties, for they were at once deprived of their property at Malling. The Abbess was over sixty years of age, hampered by increasing ill health, but it was the friends of the community who remembered these drawbacks and thought of the future with misgivings. Neither the Abbess nor any of her nuns were discouraged or even thought much about their increased difficulties, being filled with the joy that follows the whole-hearted acceptance of the Will of God.

Hardly had the nuns settled into the quiet routine of monastic life when the war broke out. People became engrossed in it and in their manual anxieties, and this prevented the community from making as many new friends to replace the old as they would otherwise have done. It also made their pressing need, a permanent home for the community, more than ever difficult. The Abbess spent years of fruitless search, and secular readers will many of them realize better than religious what 'house hunting' meant during and just after the war. At one time there was a hope of obtaining the ancient site of Our Lady's Shrine at Walsingham, but it fell through.

At last, in 1919, St. Bride's was sold over their heads and they were told they must be out of it by the following March. Just then Talacre in North Wales, which had been the property of the Mostyn family since the XVth century and was the birthplace of Bishop Mostyn, to whose sympathy and foresight the community owed its new existence,—was put up for sale. It was an ideal spot and the community were fortunate in securing it, but it swallowed up all their scanty resources and they were obliged to incur a heavy debt. In spite of this, it was an immense relief to the Abbess to have at last a fitting home for the nuns, and they took possession on March 24, 1920.

Their first retreat at Talacre was given by Abbot Oswald Smith of Ampleforth, a dear and valued friend of the Abbess. It was by his advice that in 1921 she sent a petition to the General Chapter for admission to the English Congregation. The new Archbishop of Cardiff, Archbishop Mostyn, was most anxious for this, as he knew it would place the community he had founded, on a solid basis. He wrote a very kind letter of recommendation, which Abbot Smith seconded speaking from personal experience, with the result that their petition was unanimously granted by the Chapter. The matter of enclosure was occupying the thought of the Abbess at this time. It was impossible to have papal enclosure until there was a church, and this was a practical impossibility. The nuns worked hard at their various arts and crafts and in the garden, but made only enough money to pay their way. The Abbess urged her daughters to pray that a benefactor might be raised up, but their prayers seemed to have a contrary effect, for directly any money was saved for the enclosure, some heavy unforseen expense forced them to spend their savings.

The Abbess' health, which had been a source of anxiety for so long, was now failing more and more. She had serious illnesses that kept her for weeks in her cell. It would have been easy for her to stand aside and let another take up the burden of government, but to retain the responsibility of Abbess and Mother of her large household and yet to delegate more and more authority to others must have been most difficult to her particular temperament. But she knew these sufferings came from Our Lord and were, to quote her own words, "an honor," so she bravely and cheerfully carried on. Her interest in and motherly care for her nuns never slackened in spite of her lessened powers. In fact her daughters were drawn still closer to her, feeling that her heroic acceptance of God's Will brought untold blessings on the house.

*(To be continued)*

**DO YOU KNOW THAT $2,500.00 IN PRIZES WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AMONG THOSE SECURING FIFTY THOUSAND NEW SUBSCRIBERS TO THE LAMP?** (See page 298.)

**Bishop de la Mora, one of the Champions of the Catholic Cause in Mexico**

## HOOVER PAYS TRIBUTE TO SPANISH FRIARS

Spanish civilization, brought to New Mexico by the early Spanish friars, was praised by Herbert Hoover, Republican nominee for the Presidency, in an address at Alburquerque, N. M., on August 20, as his special train crossed from Arizona into the State where, as he pointed out, General Phil Kearney once said "three civilizations meet."

In this State, which is slightly preponderant in the Catholic faith, Mr. Hoover lauded the work of the early friars "who came with the first word of Christ."

"I always receive inspiration from New Mexico," he continued. "It represents a beautiful mingling of three civilizations. The fine qualities of Spanish civilization brought by the early Spanish friars, was blended into the still earlier civilization, while the coming of the people from the United States brought the stimulation of modern life. In this meeting of three civilizations you are working out the best qualities of these three races into common American citizenship. The historic past left its many records; the present has impressed into service the powers of social progress. By your uniting of the best of these civilizations you have given a distinctive character to your cities and your State."

## BISHOP DE LA MORA DISCREDITS STORY TOLD BY FERGUSON

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)

Washington:—On June 7, last, the N. C. W. C. News Service interviewed Mr. George L. Ferguson, then at the Apostolic Mission House in this city.

In this interview, Mr. Ferguson stated that for some years, as an Anglican minister, he had served in Mexico; that in Mexico he had been received into the Catholic Church and had been ordained a deacon by the Bishop of San Luis Potosi. Mr. Ferguson told of six weeks incarceration in the military barracks of Mexico City. He said that there were 11 Catholic priests in the same cell tier in which he was confined, and that six of these were shot, two of them before his very eyes, and that three disappeared mysteriously while he was there. He also told of a nun held captive in the same prison being stripped of her clothing, tied to the door of a cell and whipped to death in the view of other prisoners.

The interview was written and submitted to Mr. Ferguson, who approved it. It was released by the News Service under the date of June 8.

A copy of the interview, reaching Mexico, came into the hands of the Rt. Rev. Michael M. de la Mora, Bishop of San Luis Potosi. The following letter was received a few days ago from Bishop de la Mora:

"There was published by the N. C. W. C., and reached my hands today, an awful statement of one Rev. George L. Ferguson, who claims to be a Deacon of the Roman Catholic Church. He says I ordained him and states many terrible experiences suffered by him in the cells of an army post, where he was prisoner with some others, eleven priests, in this city.

"Though many awful things have happened in Mexico, and more terrible perhaps, this statement of Rev. Ferguson is a complete falsehood by its four sides, and these falsehoods are against our cause. I am afraid that this Mr. Ferguson is a falsifier for exploitation purposes.

"Because I didn't ordain him, I never heard his name. There is no Father Juan Acosta, of whom he speaks as a priest of San Luis Potosi. And there were not eleven priests prisoners at the same time in Mexico City, neither in the Inspeccion General de Policia, nor in any army post."

Sincerely yours in Christ,
"Michael M. de la Mora,
"Bishop of San Luis Potosi"

Inquiries made at the Apostolic Mission House revealed that Mr. Ferguson is no longer at the Mission House. It was said, he had left stating that he was going on a lecture tour.

EDITOR'S NOTE: *As Mr. Ferguson's statement was published in* THE LAMP *for July we are glad to publish this refutation of his story by so high an authority as Bishop de la Mora... We are specially relieved to know that the excruciating tale of the Nun whipped to death is untrue.*

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# ST. ANTHONY'S PAGE

## THE NON-APPEARANCE OF ST. ANTHONY'S CLOCK

Contributions for the building of the National Shrine of St. Anthony on the Mount of the Atonement during the Month of August amounted to only $399.24 contributed by 214 clients of the Wonder-Worker of Padua. The consequence is that we are unable to report another point scored by the Wonder-Worker's Clock. Hence it is not making its appearance this month on St. Anthony's Page.

We are, however, planning a campaign that will soon, we trust, be in full swing and then not only will the Clock appear every month but we are confident the hand will begin to move with some degree of celerity.

We know how universal is the devotion to Saint Anthony and we believe that our Nation-Wide Appeal to erect on the Mount of the Atonement a Shrine worthy of The Wonder-Worker of Padua will be crowned with glorious success.

### AUGUST CONTRIBUTIONS TO ST. ANTHONY'S SHRINE

Received from 8,087 Donors to July 31, 1928 .....$18,100.85
Received from 214 Donors during August, 1928 ... 399.24

Received from 8,301 Donors to August 31, 1928....$18,500.09

### THANKSGIVINGS FOR FAVORS RECEIVED THROUGH THE INTERCESSION OF SAINT ANTHONY

H. J., Elmore, Minn.: "*Enclosed offering is for St. Anthony's Bread Fund for his poor. I promised this offering if St. Anthony would grant two favors. Needless to say both were granted. The first favor was as follows. I had two hundred and sixty-seven bushels of corn to sell and was offered sixty-eight cents a bushel the day before it was shelled. However I did not sell and on the day I hauled it the market dropped three cents per bushel; I promised St. Anthony one cent per bushel if through his help I might receive the original price of sixty-eight cents or all I might get over that amount. You can imagine my surprise when I received seventy cents per bushel so that St. Anthony's share was two cents per bushel on two hundred and sixty-seven bushels or five dollars and thirty-four cents. I also had an article for sale which had no market value in this locality so I promised St. Anthony ten per cent if he would help find a buyer. Two days later I sold the article for sixteen dollars which was really more than I expected if buyers were plentiful, so I gladly send one dollar and a half for St. Anthony's share. You may publish this as it may help to show others what a wonderful partner St. Anthony really is if called upon.*"

A. M., Saratoga Springs, New York: "*I am enclosing a check as a thank offering for the granting of a petition through the intercession of St. Anthony in the Novena at Graymoor. We had given up all hopes of renting a house to a certain gentleman. On the fourth day of the Novena he asked if he might rent it and the negotiations were successfully completed shortly after the close of the Novena. The answer to our prayers, in this instance, was so swift that it startled me.*"

Mrs. T. D., Chicago, Ill.: "*My husband had been out of work for three months. I have six children, so you know we were pretty badly off financially. I promised a donation to St. Anthony for Bread for his poor if he obtained work soon. Within a few days he obtained a position and I am now fulfilling my promise.*"

J. M., Forest Hills, New York: "*Enclosed find offering for St. Anthony. I promised it to him if he helped me to get a mortgage and sell a piece of property. I received the mortgage and prospects of selling same. All thanks to good St. Anthony.*"

M. G. R., New York City: "*I wrote you a few weeks ago asking you to remember my son in your Novena to Saint Anthony—he was out of employment for some time. I am very grateful to the Sacred Heart and the good St. Anthony and thank him with all my heart for hearing and answering my prayer.*"

M. M., Newark, N. J.: "*Enclosed please find a little offering for a favor received. I've been praying a long time for this favor, but finally invoked St. Anthony and the favor was granted.*"

J. S., Wabasha, Minn.: "*Enclosed find offering for St. Anthony's Bread Fund which I promised if my favor was granted—getting a tenant and contract fixed satisfactorily. Thanks to God and good St. Anthony.*"

E. D.T., Germantown, Pa.: "*All one day, I had been worried over the loss of a pocketbook which contained some valuable keys, etc. I implored the aid of dear St. Anthony and promised an offering for his poor if the missing article would be found. Many, many thanks to the ever willing Saint, it was found, and I hasten to fulfill my promise.*"

C. D., Cranford, N. J.: "*A few weeks ago, I wrote you asking that you pray for my intention in the perpetual Novena to St. Anthony. I greatly desired, if it were for the best, to sell a certain piece of property before Easter, and promised an offering in return for the favor. I am indeed very happy and thankful that God and St. Anthony have manifested their love for me, by answering my earnest petition, and it is with the greatest devotion and thanks-*

*giving that I inclose this little check."*

J. F. R., Craddock, Pa.: *"I made a Novena to St. Anthony asking for his help in obtaining an increase in my salary. Many thanks to his intercession. I received what I had asked for, and am not forgetting my promise to the Saint."*

K. E. R., Brooklyn, N. Y.: *"The inclosed offering is to be applied to the work of Saint Anthony in thanksgiving for victory in a most trying situation, due entirely to his intercession for me."*

L. R. S., St. Paul, Minn.: *"I would be much pleased if you will accept my offering, and publish my thanksgiving to dear St. Anthony for his assistance in securing work. I obtained a position very unexpectedly and am very grateful to him for his help."*

M. R. Loretto, Minn.: *"One morning while engaged in butchering, I lost my ring and was unable to find it. At dinner, I said "I will send St. Anthony after it," and sure enough, it was found. I feel very thankful for its recovery and hope the Saint will make use of the inclosed offering for his poor."*

Mrs. B. B., St. Louis, Mo.: *"I was in great distress over the loss of my wedding ring. I prayed to St. Anthony and, as usual, he found it. I am sending you a small offering to use for his Bread."*

Mrs. J. H. W., Montana: *"Enclosed please find offering for St. Anthony's Bread. Sometime ago I sent a petition to Graymoor Shrine for a Protestant friend, whose brother-in-law was suffering with ulcers of the stomach. At the time the petition was sent, he was too weak to undergo an operation, but after the Novena started he got so he could come out of the hospital. I kept on praying and made the Novenas in November and December, and I just got a letter from this Protestant lady with the enclosed thank offering and stating her brother-in-law was cured."*

Miss C. M., Oneonta, N. Y.: *"I sometimes feel as though I owe a debt of gratitude to St. Anthony for what he has done for me in 1927, that I will never be able to repay in full. Early in the year, my Dad, who had already submitted to seven or eight major operations, suffered several severe heart attacks. I begged St. Anthony's assistance, and he answered my prayer. In October it was finally decided that he must undergo a very serious and delicate operation, but he could not take an anesthetic. I begged St. Anthony to intercede. Instead of submitting to the operation, Dad walked home from the hospital much improved, and has been much better ever since. I am enclosing a check which I promised to St. Anthony for his intercession. Use it for your bread fund. In May, my sister's husband was suddenly stricken ill. The doctors were at a loss for hours as to what his illness was. It was finally decided to remove him to a hospital, where it developed he had a ruptured appendix, gangrene, as well as a ruptured gall bladder condition... In his weakened condition, only his appendix was removed. Peritonitis developed, and later adhesions. He submitted to a second operation relieving the adhesion condition. At the end of six weeks he was sent home to prepare for a third operation to correct the bladder trouble. He never had to undergo the third operation, and today is in perfect health, much better than he has enjoyed in all his life. I promised St. Anthony that I would give a daily amount for one year to his bread fund should my brother-in-law recover and publish an account of his illness that others might benefit from my experience. This amount I shall send soon."*

## OUR HEREFORD, TEXAS, MISSION SENDS THE FOLLOWING AMONG MANY OTHER THANKSGIVINGS TO ST. ANTHONY AND PRAYS THAT ITS CONSTANT NEEDS BE NOT FORGOTTEN

F. J. G., Chicago: *"I am glad you wrote to me for help, it gives me pleasure to know I can help a Franciscan Priest. I am a Third Order member and I feel very glad of it."*

M. E. R., Pittsfield, Mass.: *"I am more than pleased to tell you that I have gotten my request that I asked you to pray for. I am sending my donation."*

M. J. F., La.: *"Enclosed find one dollar in thanksgiving for favors received. Please pray for the following intentions in your Perpetual Novena to Saint Anthony."*

Mrs. F. J. D., Portland, Ore.: *"Enclosed please find five dollars for a favor St. Anthony granted me; also names you asked for. Kindly make publication in one of your magazines. St. Anthony granted my favor just at the right time."*

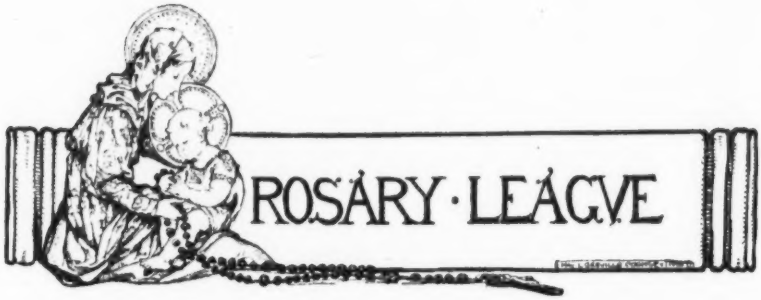
## CONTRIBUTIONS TO ST. ANTHONY'S FARM ON THE INCREASE

We are very much gratified with the Treasurer's report for the month of August published below. It shows that many of the clients of St. Anthony are responding to the Editor's request and are sending their thank-offerings to St. Anthony for favors received labelled "For the Farm." If this increase continues we shall have some prospect of gradually paying for the enlargement of the Sisters' House on the Farm. The cost of the enlargement amounts to about Six Thousand Dollars. The new part of the House is larger than the old. No one as yet has contributed any of the Memorial Windows for the St. Anthony's Farm Chapel. The cost of the Windows will be Fifty Dollars each.

Previously Reported: $7,113.36. Miss E. F., $4; Mrs. H. S., $10; A. K., $1; M. S., $1; B. M., $2; M. O., $1; A. V. O'N., $5; J. S. L., $5; Miss K. H., $2; Mrs. L. R., $1; A. J. B. D., $5; Mrs. C. M., $1; I. W., $1; E. J. C., $2; W. H., $2; Mrs. S. C., $1; Mrs. M. H., $2; Mrs. J. D., $1.50; Mrs. J. D., $5; J. P., $7; M. R., $2; A. B., $6; Mrs. F. D., $1; E. E. C., $1.65; A. M. H., $2; M. C. C., $2; Miss G. C., $1; C. C., $5; Mrs. D. C., $7; U. A. C., $10; Mrs. E. L., $2; Mrs. T. F. H., $1; G. J. S., $2; M. S., $1; M. T. C., $1; N. M., $2; M. A. P., $1; C. E. K., $1; E. G. W., $1; H. C. D., $5.15; C. J. G., $2; Mrs. D. C., $1.90; C. E. C., $1; Mrs. J. L. W., $2; Mrs. H. E. W., $1; J. L. T., $5; M. C., $1; Mrs. H. P., $10; Mrs. M. C. M., $2.50; Mrs. A. P. B., $2; Miss E. J. M., $2; H. M., $3; Anon., $2; M. H., $1; M. F. McD., $1; Mrs. J. F. P., $5; O. J. S., $2; Mrs. L. W. W., $7.50; Mrs. C. G., $1; A. McG., 50c; Mrs. J. F. H., $1; Mrs. E. McK., $3; Mrs. J. L., $5. Grand Total: $7,360.56

## NOTICE

This brief note is to call the attention of the distant missionaries in foreign lands to the Church Unity Octave, to be observed as usual from the Chair of Peter—Jan. 18, to the Conversion of St. Paul—Jan. 25th. "Make it Universal"

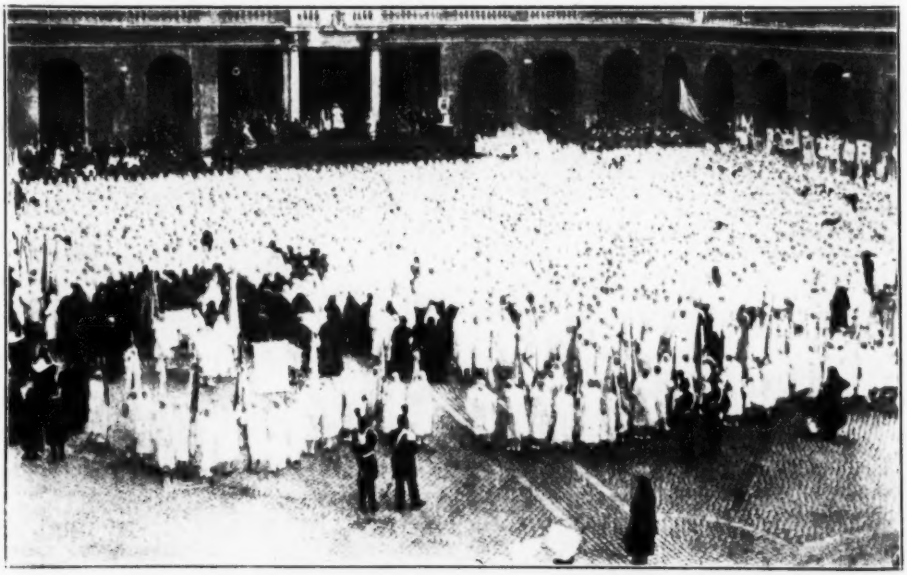



# The Rosary League and the Candle

The Feast of the Holy Rosary, October 7th was the Twenty-seventh Anniversary of the establishment of the Rosary League of Our Lady of the Atonement.

As we stand on the threshold of the 28th year in the life of our League we are filled with a great desire to see the League INCREASE AND MULTIPLY IN ITS MEMBERSHIP. There was a time earlier in the history of THE LAMP when nearly every Subscriber was enrolled as a member of the Rosary League. Although this formal enrollment does not any longer take place it is just as much our desire as ever that all Subscribers to THE LAMP should account themselves as members of the League. All that is required for active membership is to say at least one decade of the Rosary every day with the intentions of the League uniting your prayers with those of the other members for whatever may be the monthly intention of the League and the manifold intentions of the members who in this way pray for one another.

As there now exists a Special Magazine of the Rosary League, *namely* THE CANDLE, published quarterly, it would greatly strengthen the attachment of the members to the League if they subscribed to THE CANDLE as well as to THE LAMP. In order to make this all the easier for you we are offering THE LAMP and THE CANDLE together for one dollar and twenty-



**International Catholic Women's Association received by the Holy Father last summer.**

five cents, although the annual subscription to THE CANDLE is 50 cents. Just bear this in mind and when you renew your subscription to THE LAMP enclose an additional 25 cents and ask that you be put on the mailing list of THE CANDLE, or BETTER STILL enclose, an additional dollar to your LAMP subscription and THE CANDLE will come to you for a period of THREE YEARS. We hope that not merely hundreds will avail themselves of this recommendation, but THOUSANDS.

THE OCTOBER ISSUE OF THE CANDLE JUST OUT IS AN UNUSUALLY ATTRACTIVE NUMBER AND YOU WILL FIND IT VERY INTERESTING. It is edited by Reverend Mother Lurana Mary Francis. That of itself is a guarantee of its being WORTH READING.

## ROSARY DEVOTIONS FOR OCTOBER

The Novena to Our Lady of the Atonement and the Devotions for the entire month of October centering in the Convent Chapel of our Graymoor Sisters have been participated in by thousands of our LAMP Readers as has been evidenced by the letters that have swelled the volume of the Sisters mail. The Novena for November begins on Saturday, November 3rd.

## THANKSGIVINGS FOR FAVORS RECEIVED THROUGH THE INTERCESSION OF OUR LADY OF THE ATONEMENT

P. R. W., Des Moines, Iowa: *"I promised our Blessed Lady of the Atonement I would give half of the first month's rent if I rented my house—the same as I would have to pay a real estate man. I asked a real estate man also to rent it for me. He got me no tenant but our Blessed Lady did, so I am sending the half of a month's rent."*

M. McC., Glens Falls, N. Y.: *"Sometime ago I asked your prayers and at the close of the Novena, the prayers were answered just the way I wanted them to be answered."*

M. J., Fall River, Mass.: *"I had started a Novena and did not have it finished when my brother made his confession and received Holy Communion during Passion Week, after thirty years away. I am so happy and we are happy with the blessing we received through the Novena."*

L. E. T., Vallejo, California: *"Enclosed find thanksgiving offering to our dear Blessed Lady of the Atonement for a favor she has been granting me twice a year for the last seven years. Please remember me in your prayers and ask Our Lady to continue granting me my favor. I sincerely appreciate and thank our dear Lady of the Atonement for all she has done for me."*

Mrs. A. G. W., West Brighton, S. I.: *"Enclosed please find a check as a thanksgiving offering to our Lady of the Atonement for making my little daughter well from long trouble and a cough. I promised publication."*

Mrs. M. M. R., Rochester, N. Y.: *"Please publish in The Lamp that after many prayers my husband obtained a good position after being out of work nearly a year. I have made three Novenas when in trouble and always feel I receive some favors."*

M. C., Connellsville, Pa.: *"Will you please include my grateful thanks in your next Novena of prayers for a favor received through the Novena of Last Resort. Please publish in The Lamp."*

M. E. D., Cleveland, Ohio: *"I am enclosing check in thanksgiving for favor received through the intercession of our Lady of the Atonement. This petition was answered in a miraculous way and I am most grateful."*

A. E. C., Brooklyn, N. Y.: *"I am enclosing an offering. Will you please have a Mass offered in honor of our Lady of the Atonement in thanksgiving for a favor partly received during the last Novena. So far our Blessed Mother has answered your prayers in a most wonderful way for which I am most sincerely grateful."*

M. S., New York City: *"I made a Novena to our Lady asking through your prayers that my husband would be successful in business and that he would receive his license soon. Thanks to our Blessed Lady, he got it the following week. Please accept thank offering."*

Mrs. A. A. S., Massachusetts: *"Enclosed you will find an offering in thanksgiving. I received several favors from our Lady of the Atonement. One of these is miraculous, it being a safe delivery a darling baby girl who is now four months old. Thanks to our Lord and His Blessed Mother."*

Grateful Client: *"Sometime ago I wrote you to remember a very special intention for my mother, in your Novena of Last Resort. It was a request we had become very much discouraged over. We are most grateful for your most efficacious prayers. The request was granted about a week after the Novena ended. Enclosed please find an offering in thanksgiving."*

M. G., Bronx, N. Y.: *"Please find enclosed money order as an offering in thanksgiving to our Lady for her help and assistance in selling my house. Please publish as an inspiration to others for the reading of thanksgivings in The Lamp has inspired me many times to ask our Lady's help."*

Miss M. E. F., Wisconsin: *"I am enclosing an offering which I promised last year when I requested your prayers during one of the Novenas of Last Resort. A very special favor has been granted and I am, therefore, sending this offering with gratitude and thanksgiving in the hope that it will be of some assistance in carrying on your good work."*

## ROSARY LEAGUE INTERCESSIONS

Special Intention for October:

**Increased Vocations for the Sisters of the Atonement**

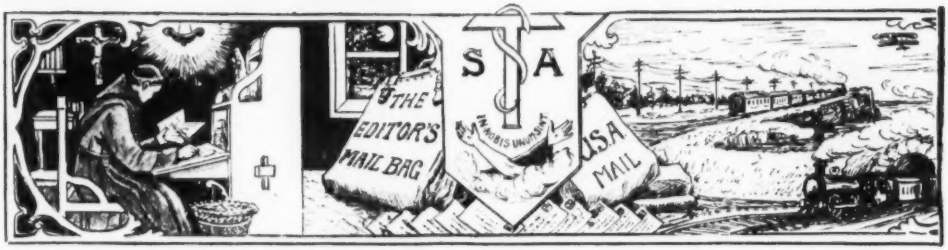
Other Intentions:

Conversion to Christ and Holy Church of the One Thousand Million who are still pagan. Conversion of all Eastern Schismatics, Anglicans and other Protestants to Catholic Unity. Conversion of the Jews. For the China, Japan, Africa and India Missions. Supplications for Priests and Religious in their sphere of service.

Spiritual Favors: 1,248. Concerning vocation to the Priesthood or the Religious Life or guidance therein, 76. Happy Marriage 56. Grace of Temperance, 208. Return to God and the Sacraments, 490. Special Intentions, 1,902. Conversion to Catholicism, 82. Happy Death for 178. Repose of 508 souls.

Temporal Favors: 1,219. Restoration to health, 387. Return of lost articles, 27. Prayers are asked by 198.

Financial and Industrial: Success for 280. Suitable employment for 201. Good sales or rentals, 276. Financial aid for 198. Thanksgivings are rendered by 986.




## A MESSAGE AND A PLEA FROM ARIZONA

To the Editor of THE LAMP:

In your July issue I read your noble appeal to the Readers of THE LAMP to join the Crusaders of your other excellent publication THE ANTIDOTE, in the campaign of prayers, almsgiving and publicity work in trying to bring Christian America to the support of the Catholics of Mexico in their life and death struggle against the powers of Antichrist now enthroned in the seat of tyrannical absolutism.

In this appeal you are showing the spirit of St. Justin the Martyr in defending the early Christians of Rome, and of Peter the hermit and the Pope St. Pius the V, in organizing the Christian Crusaders against the power of the half moon that was threatening to wipe out Christianity from the face of Europe.

Men of your spirit who are fighting for such a noble cause as the helping of the persecuted Catholic Church in Mexico render a very great service not only to the Catholic Church of that country, but to the Catholic Church of the whole world and to humanity in general as well.

The writer of this letter was Editor of a monthly English-Spanish Catholic Magazine in Phoenix, Arizona, called "The Defender."

In this publication, of which I am mailing you a copy, the writer was doing a little towards this noble cause but as I had not my own press and no funds to pay for the printing I had to discontinue it for the present until such time as I will have the available funds to carry on the good fight.

In the meantime to help the Mexican Catholic cause I have about 60 slides made of the Mexican Martyrs, Mexican Churches, and Mexican Archbishops and Bishops exiled from their country through the hatred of the persecutors of the Catholic Church in Mexico. These slides I have shown with a stereopticon lamp three times in different places in Arizona to show the truth about the conspiracy against the Catholic Church in Mexico by the powers of darkness.

But even these illustrated lectures I had to interrupt for lack of funds. Now if you think it proper and would publish this letter in one or both of your excellent publications, THE LAMP and THE ANTIDOTE, probably some wealthy Catholics might send me some donations to carry on these illustrated lectures in defence of the persecuted Catholic Church in Mexico. These lectures I have been giving in both English and Spanish as the population in Arizona is about one-half Mexican.

With this letter I am sending you a copy of the program of the first lecture that we gave in Phoenix, Arizona, and also a copy of the hand bill which we passed to the public before the lecture, the title of which is "The Martyrs of Mexico Under Calles."

In our first lecture we charged 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for children to defray the expenses, but we have come to the conclusion that to gather a large audience to these lectures they should be given free and the money to pay for travelling expenses and renting halls, printing and hand bills, etc., should come from the generosity of rich Catholics.

Thanking you very much for courtesies, and asking your prayers in our enterprises and wishing you many years of success for your two excellent Magazines THE LAMP and THE ANTIDOTE.

I am yours very respectfully,

Prof. Vincent G. Nicolette,

Phoenix, Arizona.

EDITOR'S NOTE: *We have sent Professor Nicolette from our Antidote Crusade fund $25.00 to help him carry on his lectures and we would be greatly pleased if he receives further assistance from our generous Lamp Readers.*

## NICE LETTER FROM NON-CATHOLIC

*Dear Father Paul:*

*I received your circular and the letter accompanying it a few days ago and meant to answer sooner but have neglected it, the way one is apt to do sometimes.*

*This matter particularly interested me as I have been passing your property several times during the past few months and always had a word of admiration to say regarding it to anyone that happened to be riding with me.*

*You have a beautiful setting for a place of this sort, or for any place in fact. And as far as one can see from the road, the buildings are in particular harmony with the beautiful landscape. The views from your wonderful property must be indeed marvelous.*

*I enclose my check for $10.00 and wish I could afford to make it ten times the amount for I feel that you must be performing a wonderfully humane work.*

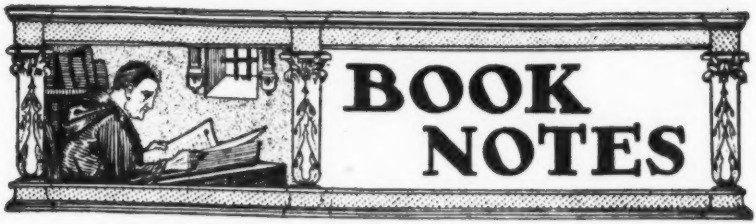
*Although I am not a Catholic, still I have friends of this faith. I would like to come in some time that I happen to be passing and who knows but that some day I might even be among those who knock at your door for needed help?*

*Trusting that your work will have every success and I am sure it deserves it, I am,*

*Very truly yours,*

R. B. L.

*Bedford Brook Country Club,*
*Mount Vernon, N. Y.*




**The Life of Christ, An Historic, Critical and Apologetic Exposition. By L. C. L. Fillion, S.S., Consultor of the Biblical Commission. Translated by Rev. Newton Thompson, S.T.D. B. Herder, St. Louis. Price, $4.00.** This very complete (if one may use such a term in relation to the Life of Our Lord) and scholarly book, supplies with the book mentioned above, by the same author, the best possible answer to the theories of Doctor Saunders. It is quite as scholarly a production as "The Gospel and Asia" and should be placed side by side with it on library shelves. Book First consists of **Documentary Sources for the Life of Christ, A Geographical, Political and Religious Sketch of Environment.** Book Second, **Christ before the Incarnation.** Book Third, **Infancy and Hidden Life of the Saviour up to the Age of Thirty.** There are twenty-six splendid appendices. Needless to say, this critical exposition is worthy of the Seminary of St. Sulpice.

**History of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. By Christine Servier. Jubilee Edition; limited to 1,000 copies. Bound in blue cloth; over 100 pages of illustrations. Price $10.00. Orders should be sent to Right Rev. Msgr. Delaney, V.G., 12 Madison Place, Albany, N. Y.** This is a sumptuous volume and well worthy of a distinguished place in our libraries, not only for historical record, but also for its intrinsic interest. We congratulate Miss Servier on the excellence of her completed work, a labor of love, and also, the ecclesiastical authorities of the diocese on having at their hand such a dignified and fittingly printed history of their beautiful cathedral.

**Things Catholics Are Asked About. By Martin J. Scott, S.J. P. J. Kenedy & Son, Barclay Street, New York City. $1.50.** This book is a reprint of a series of articles which appeared in **Columbia,** the magazine of the Knights of Columbus. Of course, not anyone could write any better on these subjects than Father Scott. A few of the titles are, **Marriage and Annulment, Tyranny in Mexico, Is one Faith as good as Another? Why don't Catholics think for Themselves?** This is the book to give your non-Catholic inquiring friend.

**The English in English Bibles. By Monsignor J. F. Sheahan, Columbus Institute, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. Price $1.50: Address the Author.** We are very much impressed at the tremendous amount of application and scholarship which Doctor Sheahan has condensed between the covers of this small volume in cloth. We wonder how our biblical exegesis classes ever got along without such a compendium, or primer. Just to instance one feature: "The book by its spacing, which brings the same words of three versions of St. Matthew's Gospel together, shows at a glance the thousands of places in which they agree. The first line of every verse gives the words of the Rhemes Catholic Version of 1582, the second line the Authorized or King James Version of 1611, the third line the Revised Protestant Version of 1881.

Another feature: A difference of type pictures the historical background of the words; the greater part of them had been used in the fourteenth century English versions, some in the Saxon versions of a thousand years ago; these old words are printed in black or full faced type, the later words in ordinary light faced type."

There are brief criticisms and notes, and a valuable appendix. Every one of our colleges and seminaries should have this book for use in the class room, on the library tables and up behind the bookcase glass.

**Encyclicals of Pius XI, Introduction and Translation by James H. Ryan, of the Catholic University of America. $3.00.** Doctor Ryan, the head-elect of the Catholic University, Washington, has placed us again in his debt by the excellent translation and gathering together of the great Encyclicals of our reigning Pope. We are glad especially, to have preserved in this permanent form the two last, i.e., on the **Seventh Centenary of the Death of St. Francis of Assisi** and on the **Persecution of the Catholic Church in Mexico.**

**Readings in First Corinthians, Church Beginnings in Greece, By C. Lattey, S.J., M.A. B. Herder, St. Louis, Mo. Price, $1.50.** This is a series of papers which appeared in the Farm Street Calendar. The Reverend Author states that he has published them in book form "in the hope that they may promote the quiet and thoughtful reading of St. Paul's Epistles among priests, religious and laity." We feel sure that this will be the result, certainly it will, if the book has the wide-spread circulation that it deserves. We would suggest its purchase by religious communities for reading in refectories.

**Comfort for the Sick. By Rev. Henry Woods, S.J. Publishers, B. Herder & Co., St. Louis, Mo. $2.25.** The motive of this book is to declare the "inseparability of Christ our Saviour and Christ our King". Of course, one would think this fact amounted to an axiom, but apparently it needs in our day, to be reiterated and re-stamped upon the consciousness of Catholics. There are short sections in the chapters which make an excellent book for directors, promoters and members of Catholic leagues, both for reading aloud and for their lending libraries.

**Peter Prince of the Apostles, A Study in the History and Tradition of Christianity, By F. J. Foakes-Jackson. Geo. H. Doran Co., New York City. Price, $2.50.** The Author's preface tells us "that the object of the book is two-fold: to give the ordinary readers interest in the first days of Christianity, and at the same time to appeal to schools to study the problem it suggests, namely, how far tradition is to be respected where direct historical material is scanty." The book is not a Catholic one, but is interesting and does not intend to unduly clash with Catholic tradition.

# OUR REQUIEM MASS LIST

**The following is a list of Deceased Subscribers and Near Relatives whose deaths have been reported to us during the last month. The list is restricted to those who die within the subscription year. For them Collectively a Set of Thirty Masses will be said by a Foreign Missionary Priest. The number Thirty has been chosen because the custom of saying this number of Masses for the repose of a single soul is very ancient, being commonly known by the name of Gregorian Masses. Since these have proven so efficacious for the individual, a set of Thirty Masses said on thirty consecutive days must also prove efficacious, although the number of souls prayed for be many, for the power of the Holy Sacrifice is unlimited:**

Urban Julius Oster, Edward Badeaux, Owen Matthews, J. J. Clogher, Mary E. Maguire, Fynes, Mary Ann Real, Matthew Fitzgerald, James Page, Joseph Provost, James M. Clogher, Joseph Coughlan, Dr. John A. Kelly, Margaret Elizabeth Irving, Edward J. Gallagher, Adele Annisette, Edward P. Beckett, Robert H. Noseworthy, Francis I. Kiernan, Michael Kelly, Mrs. Michael J. Kelly, John Kelly, Mrs. Josephine Vorwerck, Alfred A. Barnes, Lillian Murphy, Ella Boyd, Mary Eddington, Mark P. Dyser, J. P. Mallon, John B. Reichert, George Fry, Nan R. Smith, Peter Joseph Donnelly, Jr., Catherine L. Riordan, Mary J. Mullen, Nellie Kingley, T. McCann, Isabel P. Otero, C. Carey, Francis Spencer, Peter J. Walsh, Catherine Caulfield, Edward Farrell, Ellen Farrell, Mrs. Grace McCaffrey, Anna M. Weidner, Mary Weidner, John J. Scanlon, Catherine Hughes Catherine Murphy, Lydia Nye, Catherine Driscoll, Alice Mackey, Madge Egan, Susie Chevalier, Mrs. Peter Connolly, Mrs. Catherine Daly, Jennie McCallion, Peter B. Duffy, Veronica Osouski, Patrick Connor, Philip H. Maher, Lillian A. Garro, Michael Walsh, Mrs. Margaret Gorman, Mrs. Wm. Gorman, Mrs. T. J. Loughran, Michael O'Donnell, Catherine Gorman, Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Barnish, Sister Teresa Joseph, Mary W. Cahill, Mr. James Connor, Laura Havier, John Willand, Mrs. Mary Clifford, Mrs. Margaret McCabe, Isabel Otero, Lawrence Jehle, Mrs. Anna Mitchell, W. E. Graham, Dom Samson Sumner, O.S.B., Rev. John P. Harden, C.S.P., Mrs. Amilla Brignadello, Sister Mary Rosario, Rev. Denis F. Curley, Mrs. W. C. Woodford, Mrs. Janet MacDonald, Mrs. K. Weber, Jennie Donohue, Mrs. Ellen Sinnott, Thomas Fenton, Thomas Connors, Mrs. Bridget McTague, Esther Davis, James Henry Shackler, Mrs. Bridget McGuiness, Anthony Malesci, Chas. H. Kleinknecht, Mrs. Mary Blind, Mrs. Anna Theber, Henry Theber Family, Henry Tenlunfeld, Mary Lucy Haley, Mrs. Michael O'Loughlin, Jeremiah O'Brien, Jr., Jeremiah O'Brien, Sr., Mrs. J. O'Brien, Mrs. Edw. O'Donnell, Mrs. Grace Hassey, John Murphy, M. J. Callahan, Charles A. Secor, Geo. G. McLochlin, Edw. J. Myles, Michael J. McCarthy, Wm. Neil Terego, Norah Sherlock, Ann Houston, Albert Knorzella, Daniel Condun, Mary McDermott, Bernard Kanphusnar, Wm. E. Thompson, Wm. Martin, Jennie Martin Dowd, Rev. James J. McLaughlin, Mary O'Malley, Edward Hynes, A. Walter Gauster, Ellen McGinnis, H. N. Heidger, Frank Hesemus, Philip McGrath, Mary Meehan, Mathew Kenny, Mrs. Mary Kenny, Mrs. Amelia Flesch, Delia Tierney, Mrs. May Wilson, Dr. W. J. Hurley, Wm. Johnson, Rev. Joseph Pape.

**"Holding forth the Word of Life to my glory in the day of Christ, because I have not run in vain nor labored in vain."—Phil. II, 16.**

## LEGATE LAYS STONE OF BRISBANE'S NEW $5,000,000 CHURCH

(By Radio and Correspondence to N.C.W.C. News Service)

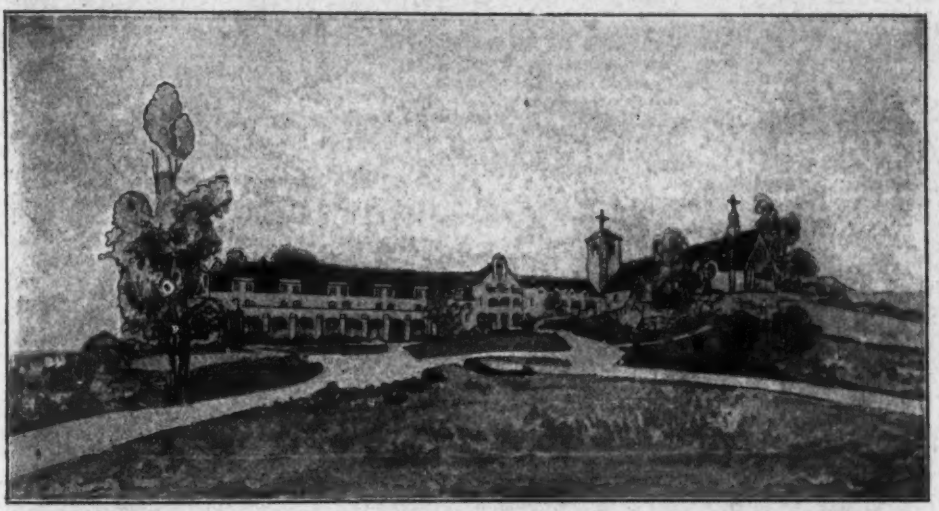
Brisbane, Australia, Sept. 17.—An immense crowd, including many distinguished and representative citizens, witnessed the formal blessing and laying of the foundation stone of the new Holy Name Cathedral here yesterday by Bonaventure Cardinal Cerretti, Papal Legate to the Twenty-ninth International Eucharistic Congress just held at Sydney. The Most Rev. Edward J. Hanna, Archbishop of San Francisco, who attended, declared that it was the largest throng he had ever seen at such a function.

Last year Archbishop Duhig of Brisbane made a flying trip (in the old sense of the word) to Rome, and there secured the consent of the Holy Father to the Legate's laying the foundation stone of the cathedral here. Stones from the catacombs will be incorporated in the masonry.

# Candidates For The Priesthood, Attention!

The new College Wing of the Little Flower Memorial Building was occupied for the first time when St. John's Atonement College opened for the New School Year on the Feast of the Nativity, September 8th. The Franciscan Friars of the Atonement have received a Larger Number of Applicants for admission to their Studentate this summer than ever before. Young men desiring to enlist under the Banner of the Atonement in the Congregation of the Graymoor Friars should RUSH THEIR APPLICATIONS IN AT ONCE if they hope to come to Graymoor this Autumn.

In order to be received into St. John's Atonement College it is necessary that the Applicant should have finished the Eighth Grade. Those who have already completed a high school course, including four years of Latin, will be received, if accepted, in the Novitiate. After the novitiate of one year is concluded all students for the priesthood in the Franciscan Order of the Friars of the Atonement are sent to Washington where they cover four years College course at the Catholic University, including two years of



Philosophy, after which they study Theology for four years prior to their ordination to the priesthood. Thus it will be readily seen that the Priest-Friars of the Atonement are splendidly educated for their High Calling.

## LAY BROTHERS

Young men who wish to dedicate their lives to God's service as Brothers in Holy Religion will also find the door of St. Joseph's Novitiate at Graymoor open to receive them. We have a great variety of avocations for our Lay Brothers, namely, Teachers in our Atonement College, Bookkeepers, Stenographers, Clerks in the Graymoor Office of the *Union-That-Nothing-Be-Lost*, Cooks, House Brothers, Carpenters, Masons, Electricians and Farmers.

Besides the Brothers under vows, we receive men over thirty-five in the capacity of Tertiary Brothers, who wear the habit and follow the Community life, but who do not take vows, and are at liberty to pass out into the world at any time without any discredit to themselves on that account.

All applications for admission to the Congregation of the Franciscan Friars of the Atonement, whether as Aspirants for the Priesthood or as Lay Brothers should be addressed to

VERY REV. PAUL JAMES FRANCIS, S.A., *Father General*

Graymoor, Garrison, N. Y.

# The Advantages of Rock-of-Peter Annuity Bonds Over Leaving Money to Missions or for Masses in a Will

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